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## Pastor Pastorum

If there were any in the Diocese who still needed to be convinced, the situation here since the first of January should be proof that ours is an episcopal Church. We should all know by now that "Episcopal Church" means a Church led by a bishop. We should all know by now that forward action in the furtherance of God's work along broad diocesan lines depends upon the leadership, vision, and inspiration of a shepherd of shepherds, a Father-in-God and ruler of the diocesan family.

To so state is not intended to demean in any wise the service which has been rendered the Diocese by its Standing Committee. Many problems have arisen which have called for more frequent meetings and decisions which have not always been easy to make. The members of the Committee have been called upon to sacrifice much time from their parishes and businesses in order to devote themselves to the work of the Diocese. This they have done and have acquitted themselves well in so doing.

Yet we must face the fact that any ecclesiastical authority other than the

bishop of a diocese is, and can only be, an interim authority. And where there is interim authority there will always be the natural reluctance to make decisions which will have long range effects. Clergymen who have been supply-priests, and churches which have had temporary rectors will know what we are talking about when we say there is a feeling abroad in the Diocese of impermanence and lack of striving for an attainable goal. In sum: we have been marking time, not through anyone's fault or desire, but simply because we have no other choice in a Church which is dependent on the leadership of a divinely commissioned bishop.

With the election and acceptance of a Bishop and Shepherd, let us cease marking time and move forward under God's guidance to accomplish those things He has set for us to do.

## The Youth Camp

Almost unknown to the Diocese, there exists a small band of heroes who every year offer their bodies, minds and spirits in sacrifice to the cause of strengthening the work of the Church. True, their sufferings are not of long duration, only one week out of the entire year, but while it lasts, the torture is intense. You will find their names writ small in the column by Helen Thomas when she lists the faculty for the Youth Camp at Patterson.

Some sage is purported to have said, "Youth is such a wonderful thing that it is a shame to waste it on young people." We have no doubt that this was said from the heart after the sage had spent a week in trying to keep up with some sixty or seventy kids whose energy is exceeded only by the powers of inventiveness they show in wearing out the older fry.

Yet all who attend the Diocesan Camp, youth and doddering age alike, recognize the benefits of such a venture. There is no other single agency within our diocesan life which holds such promise for the future binding together of the Diocese into an active and forward-moving Church.

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# The Minimum and The Maximum

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*By the Rev. R. K. Yerkes*  
*Director, Christian Education, Diocese of Chicago*

After many public performances in our Church, such as meetings of Conventions, we often think that conditions are little short of chaotic. But when the tumult and shouting have died and deputies have returned to the more prosaic work of exemplifying and spreading the Christian religion, there remains the conviction that we do constitute a single Church and not an aggregation of disparate societies.

When our canons give us the long phrase, "Doctrine, Discipline and Worship of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America," they infer that this phrase defines something which exists and not merely an idea to be greatly desired. They also infer that this doctrine, discipline and worship can be definitely ascertained and applied as a measuring standard for the belief, worship and practice of the communicants of our Church.

The same idea is expressed in the Ministration of Holy Baptism when sponsors are required to pledge that they will "take heed that this child learn the Creed, the Lord's Prayer and the Ten Commandments, and all other things which a Christian ought to know and believe to his soul's health."

The creeds declare the minimum of doctrine; the Lord's Prayer describes the minimum of worship; the Ten Commandments define the minimum of discipline in the Church. The "other things which a Christian ought to know" apparently embrace such details as doctrine, discipline and worship which exceed the minimum and which are recognized in our Church as necessary to the health of a Christian soul.

Thus, in both the canons and the Prayer Book is established a difference between the minimum and maximum. When this difference is ignored confusion results. Definitions always describe a minimum requirement, a sort of lowest "pass mark."

For example, the Holy Communion is not mentioned in the creeds, but it is certainly a basic factor of our teaching. It is quite additional to the Lord's Prayer, but it is certainly our most important act of worship; nearly half the Book of Common Prayer is concerned with its ministration. It cannot even be inferred from the Ten Commandments but, without question, our Church considers something to be lacking in the life of him who declines to receive Holy Communion.

The minimum-for-maximum attitude is especially noticeable in attempts to make a single organization of all those who profess and call themselves Christians. By whittling requirements of worship and creed and behavior to a minimum we seem to be striving for a sort of greatest common divisor. By raising this minimum to a maximum we hope to glue together all who can assent to it, even if their tongues are in their cheeks. The result might be a huge institution which would go the way of all huge institutions, viz., the way of the ichthiosaurus.

One of the chief needs of the Church today is the clarification of the uncertainty attached to what a Christian ought to know and believe and *practice* to his soul's health. We do not seem to realize that contentment with the minimum in any realm invariably results in degeneration of standards. We also do not always realize that inability to compose a Beethoven Sonata does not disqualify one for the study of music.

## WOMAN'S AUXILIARY

*By Elizabeth Van Noppen*

The District Meetings, held during the second week in April, were most successful this year, from the standpoint of attendance, but more particularly from the standpoint of reports of work accomplished. These reports reflected the planning and work of busy churchwomen throughout the Diocese, each branch having found its particular way of meeting its own needs, and the calls from the outside. The work of the very small parishes is remarkable, and could put some of the larger parishes to shame.

It is interesting to watch these groups of church people grow. Each year there is present, of course, the group of older women who have served their parishes and the diocese so faithfully, and who are still at it, but most gratifying is the addition of so many younger women.

Aside from the reports of the branches, which seemed so excellent this year, of the Diocesan officers, and of our president, the women were privileged to hear Mrs. D. D. Tabor, of Saluda, retired Field Officer to the National Council. Mrs. Tabor talked informally and helpfully on many phases of the Auxiliary work. She told of Seabury House, stressing the fact that it and "281" belong to each of us. She rather cautioned the women to remember that the Auxiliary should function as an auxiliary—an aid and helper to the rector and the church. Another excellent suggestion was that we form the habit of following up our U.T.O. and other offerings, and learn where they are spent, and what they do.

The following paragraph is taken from the report of the Second District, and is very timely:

"In closing, Miss Aline Cronshey, District Director, gave the meeting a lesson in courtesy, which, sad to relate, is needed in almost every gathering of church people. The supreme worship service of the church is that of Holy Corporate Communion, and all serious church gatherings are and should be begun with a Corporate Communion. However, many of us have become so lax in our courtesy towards God that we no longer think it necessary to be at church at the appointed time; the devotions of the faithful are interrupted by our late arrival, thus adding discourtesy to our fellows to our discourtesy to God. Those who missed Corporate Communion will think on these things before another meeting."

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The most important occasion immediately ahead of us is the Annual Meeting at Kanuga on June 3rd and 4th. Miss Fletcher's plans are not yet complete, but she has announced that the principal speaker will be Bishop John Boyd Bentley, D. D., who retired from his work as Bishop to Alaska to take over the Department of Foreign Missions on the National Council.

Plan now to attend all or a part of this meeting. The first session will begin at two o'clock on Thursday, June 3rd.

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Another date to keep in mind is the Patterson Camp on June 6th-12th. Remember that there may be a boy or girl, or both, in your parish who would love to go if means were provided.

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St. Mary's Auxiliary, Quaker Meadows, held a Bazaar in April which attracted people from all the Meadows section, as well as many from Morganton. Canned and cooked foods, and hand-made articles were sold, cakes were



auctioned, and the Virginia Reel was enjoyed by young and old. This small auxiliary branch of only nine members was one of the very few in the Diocese to contribute 100 per cent to the United Thank Offering.

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The Spring Meeting of the Second District took place in the Church of the Transfiguration, Bat Cave, on April 15th with 65 persons present.

The Rev. Mark Jenkins opened with Family Morning Prayer and an address on "Recreation" in which he pointed out that part of God's work which should be done through the Woman's Auxiliary is that of recreation for our children and young people.

The offering to assist women of the Fifth District to attend summer leadership conference amounted to \$33. After reports from each branch and diocesan officer present, the Rev. William T. Capers, Jr., said noonday prayers.

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## Report To Be Delayed

The financial report for the first quarter from each parish and mission will be delayed due to the illness of Mr. William Redwood, Treasurer of the Diocese. Mr. Redwood was forced to undergo an operation recently, and it was not possible for him to do the work necessary in getting out the report.

The Executive Council has made it mandatory for THE HIGHLAND CHURCHMAN to publish a report concerning the apportionments and assessments at least three times a year. These three reports are to be in addition to a final report for each full year.

If Mr. Redwood's health allows, a report will be printed in the June issue of THE HIGHLAND CHURCHMAN.

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## Vital Statistics

The Rev. Emmet Gribbin and Mrs. Gribbin are the parents of a son, Joseph,

born on Easter Day. The Rev. Mr. Gribbin is Chaplain at Kenyon College, Gambier, Ohio, rector of Harcourt Parish, Gambier, and vicar of St. John Baptist, Bedell Chapel.

The Rev. Mr. Gribbin may be remembered by some as a postulant and candidate from this Diocese, the son of the former Bishop of the Diocese, a frequent visitor to Kanuga, sometime chaplain to the students at the University of North Carolina, and a brother to Mrs. I. N. Northup of Biltmore, N. C. Mrs. Gribbin was the former Miss Elsie Lawrence of Chapel Hill, N. C.

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## Bishop Gribbin Now In Columbia, S. C.

The Rt. Rev. Robert E. Gribbin, retired Bishop of this Diocese, is now locum tenens at Trinity Church, Columbia, S. C. Bishop Gribbin accepted the post as temporary rector of the parish on the 18th of April, succeeding the Rt. Rev. Louis A. Melcher, who until his election as Bishop Coadjutor of Southern Brazil, was rector of Trinity Church. Bishop Gribbin has agreed to stay in Columbia through the summer unless a rector is secured.

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## NEW RECTOR AT WAYNESVILLE BAT CAVE GETS SUPPLY

Two vacancies in the Diocese have recently been filled by the appointment of the Rev. Edgar Gould for Waynesville and the Rev. J. N. Atkins as supply priest at Bat Cave.

The Rev. Mr. Gould, formerly President of St. Augustine's College, Raleigh, assumed the rectorship of Grace Church and has entered upon his duties there.

Fr. Atkins, who is supplying at Bat Cave, is the associate rector of St. Luke's Church, Richmond, Va.



## Young Churchmen's News

*By Helen Thomas*

For the second time, I sit down to write you the same bit of news. I had just heaved a big sigh of relief that my article was written, when I received a card from Fr. Leach, telling me that my news had been edited out of existence by two small children, aged two and three. Since that is something that can't be helped, it won't hurt me to make another stab at what I want to tell you.

Naturally, it will be about Patterson Camp that I wish to tell you. Who is to be there, for instance. First of all, there is the Director, The Rev. Charles Leavell from Morganton. Mr. Leavell has been to Patterson every year since it started, and he has brought with him the biggest group of young people than has any other church. Let's see if we can't get up enough enthusiasm in our groups to give him a little competition; Not that we don't want all of his young people to come—we just want all of you to come. Next, we have the Vice-Director, the Rev. Mark Jenkins from Fletcher. "Parson" Jenkins has also been to Patterson every year, and he has been Director, Vice-Director and Chaplain at different times. And speaking of Chaplains, this year we will have with us the Rev. Ralph Webster, from Rutherfordton, who will do the preaching for the first time. It will be his first trip to Patterson, as he is fairly new in the Diocese. Before he came to Western North Carolina, Mr. Webster was in Puerto Rico. If he tells us anything of his experience there, and I am sure he will, then we are sure to enjoy every minute of his sermons.

Among others who will be at Patterson on the faculty are The Rev. Robert Campbell, who many of you know from the Youth Convention which was held in Morganton last fall. Mrs. Campbell will also be with us as counsellor to the girls. The Rev. Howard Rhys will be

another familiar figure around camp. And last, but not least, will be The Rev. Father Leach, with the Sinatra voice, hillbilly style, of course.

Doesn't it sound like a grand group of teachers to have? Of course the entire day will not be taken up with teaching and learning. We have classes in the morning, after we have had breakfast, gone to service, and cleaned our rooms. We will only have two classes this year, but we will see movies and have a seminar lecture following. Lunch, which is always a hearty meal, served by Mr. Wiese's staff in the kitchen, is followed by the traditional rest hour, and after this the fun really begins. We can play basketball, softball, tennis, or volleyball. After this comes swimming, and then it's time to eat again. The evening programs come after supper and the church service, which is usually held in the little Chapel of Rest on the hill. The programs are put on by the different groups, and are sometimes given inside and followed by a square dance, or are sometimes in the form of a campfire session. These campfire programs are always so interesting that the cows in the nearby pasture come over to join us.

Now the question that always arises is this: What to take? You will need your Bible, Prayer Book, notebook and pencils. You will need to take sheets, blankets, and a pillow if you must have one. We do not dress up while we are there. Bring as many play clothes as you think you will need for a week, any musical instrument that you can play, so that you can help your group in the program planning, and a flash light, so you can see to go to the chapel and to the campfire ground.

Well, this is about all the help I can give you regarding camp, except to say

that I do hope you will be able to come.  
See you Sunday, June 6, I hope.

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The courses at Patterson Camp have been worked out by the Director and Vice-Director, the Rev. R. B. Campbell, as follows: Old Testament, Prayer Book, and Life of Christ, first period; Church Membership, Vocations, and Practical Y.P.S.L. in the second period; a seminar on Missions will be held during the third period. Registrations may yet be made by sending name, address, age (over 13), parents' and rector's endorsement. Send registrations to the Rev. C. G. Leavell, Morganton, N. C. After May 15th, registrations will be open to non-Episcopalians as well as to Young Churchmen.

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Young Churchmen will have an opportunity to take part in an Acolytes' Festival which will be held at St. Mary's Church, Asheville, on Trinity Sunday, May 23rd. The service will begin at 4 P. M. and the avolytes from all parishes and missions in the Diocese are cordially invited. Notice of intention to attend should be sent as soon as possible to the rector of St. Mary's, the Rev. Gale D. Webbe, 339 Charlotte St., Asheville.

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## Pages To Be Limited

THE HIGHLAND CHURCHMAN, official organ of the Diocese of Western North Carolina, announces that it is forced to curtail the number of pages for each issue. Lack of enough well paying advertising accounts is given as the reason for limiting the number of pages to twelve per issue instead of the sixteen which have been printed. This will mean that most news of General Church interest will have to be omitted, and space will be limited to educational articles. It is hoped that this will have to be only a temporary measure, and that more advertisements may be secured from accounts in towns in the Diocese other than Asheville.

## Morganton Convocation Lenten Offering

About 125 persons from 14 parishes and missions attended the Presentation of the Lenten Offering held in Grace Church, Morganton, at 11:00 A. M. April 10th. The Very Rev. Peter W. Lambert, Dean of the Convocation, had charge of the service at which a combined Junior Choir filled the choir stalls to overflowing. The Rev. W. C. Leach spoke on the importance of giving thoughtfully and prayerfully. A total of \$546.64 was presented, \$10.81 less than the offering in 1947. St. John's Church School, Marion, won the banner for the highest per capita giving of \$1.60. Followin gthe service a motion picture was shown entitled "For All People", in which the central theme was that our Lord is for peoples of all races. Box picnic lunch was then served on the Parish House lawn. In a brief afternoon session the Rev. Peter W. Lambert was re-elected Dean of the Convocation, and the Rev. W. C. Leach was elected Secretary. A motion was passed to have the next presentation service on Sunday afternoon when it was pointed out that several churches were unable to attend on Saturday.

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## Quarterly Report from "281" Shows W. N. C. Arrears

The statement of amounts received by the National Council Treasurer to April 1st, shows the Diocese of Western North Carolina in arrears. According to this report, the expectations due from the Diocese was \$1,196.67 and the amount paid to April 1st was \$615. Allowing one month for collections in the parishes and dioceses, there should be paid by April 1, a minimum of one-sixth of the "Expectations" of each diocese.

The April issue of THE HIGHLAND CHURCHMAN carried a letter from Mr. Redwood, Treasurer of the Diocese, in which he pointed out that in order for him to meet diocesan obligations there should be prompt payment on the part of parishes and missions.

## Ascension, Hickory, Has Confirmation

Plans are well underway now for a new church in Hickory. Preliminary sketches have been drawn, a spacious lot given, and \$30,000.00 pledged to be paid by May 1, 1948. Cash on hand, only a part of which is pledged already paid, amounts to about \$11,000.00. The Rt. Rev. Robert E. Gribbin, D. D., visited Ascension the evening of April 11th and confirmed seven persons: Susan Hand Browne, Frankie Irene Burns, Nellie Faye Burns, Joseph Carroll Cobb, Lucretia Anne Fennell, Betty Lee Short, William Egleston Whitener. Several memorials were blessed Easter Day: a chalice and paten in memory of the Rev. Samuel Bradley Stroup, given by Mrs. Samuel Bradley Stroup and their children; offertory plates and a Baptismal bowl in memory of Aurora and Henry Perdue, given by their daughters, Mrs. W. J. Burns, Mrs. Clarence V. Baker, and Mrs. E. F. Barge.

## St. Francis', Rutherfordton, Installs Hymnals

On Easter Day the new 1940 Hymnal was installed in St. Francis'. A total of 108 persons attended the 8:00 A. M. and 11:00 A. M. Easter Eucharists, nearly twice as many as attended these services last year. Mr. B. H. Sumner, a communicant of St. Francis', was recently appointed to the Executive Committee of the Thompson Orphanage for a three-year term.

## Lincolnton

Both St. Luke's and Our Saviour, Lincolnton, were represented at the Convocation Lenten Offering Presentation in spite of the fact that they are without a Rector. The Vestry has recently called a clergyman from Virginia who declined the call formally extended him, and is now actively "on the trail" of another.

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# The Beginnings of the Church at Rutherfordton

*By The Rev. J. B. Sill*

There are two interesting and well-built Church structures, one at Rutherfordton and the other at Marion, which take us back to the years before we became separated as a Missionary District from the diocese of North Carolina. It is 64 years since the present St. John's Church, at Marion, was built, and 100 years since St. John's Church was built at Rutherfordton. They are frame buildings and are still in good condition. They are both on the town's main streets. After the Rutherfordton parish built its stone Church, a short distance from St. John's, naming the new Church St. Francis, the old Church continued to be used for parish purposes until recent years, when the property was sold to the Lutherans.

In its early days Rutherfordton became the chief town in the western part of the state. Its county, Rutherford, included what are now Lincoln, Polk and Henderson counties. McDowell County, of which Marion is the county seat, was its northern neighbor. At the time St. John's, Rutherfordton, was built there were some 500 residents of the town, and two years later, 1850, it is reported that "the bar was strong and numerous", and it continued so for many years.

It was during Bishop Ives' episcopate that the parish was organized in 1845-46, and five persons confirmed by him. Rev. Lewis Taylor was sent as pastor, under whom the Church was built. The two succeeding pastors were men who had been trained for the ministry under Bishop Ives at Valle Crucis, Rev. Jarvis Buxton and Rev. C. T. Bland. Mr. Buxton was ordained priest at Rutherfordton in 1849, having taken charge of the parish as a deacon, and continued in charge until 1852. The Church was consecrated in 1851, eighteen communicants being reported at the time. The vestry in 1849 were J. H. Carson, J. W.

Calloway, F. J. Wilson and B. H. Stanmire. Other communicant members of those days bear the names of Duffy, McDowell, Miller, Carrier, Britton, Twitty, Mills, Coxe, Davis, Ford and Shipp. It is recorded in 1849 that the "colored people of the town assembled at the Church on Saturday nights for worship and familiar instruction", possibly the beginnings of our later congregation of St. Gabreils. Mr. Bland was rector from 1855-57, the records showing that Church services were held only on certain Sundays in the year tho on forty-nine other days one year.

We must think of the extensive field to which these early priests were called, for they were distinctly missionary in their training and outlook.

It may be that the opening of the Hickory Nut Turnpike in 1847 led young Jarvis Buxton to explore the mountain pass and discover a village called Asheville. It was a long journey from there to Rutherfordton, but what he found of Church interest I have written about in an article on early days of Trinity Church. He moved to Asheville on leaving Rutherfordton. There was a short interim before Mr. Bland came to St. John's, when the Rev. R. H. Mason officiated here and at Shelbyville. The latter was probably the present Shelby.

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The special feature of the breakfast was the fact that the men of the congregation served it under the distinguished chef-ship of one of the vestrymen, Mr. duBois Rees.

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### **St. Mary's, Quaker Meadows**

St. Mary's Woman's Auxiliary cleared \$84.86 on their bazaar, details of which are noted elsewhere in this issue of **THE HIGHLAND CHURCHMAN**. The Mission Committee met April 20th and voted funds towards grading the church yard so as to eliminate water in the basement now preventing the installation of a furnace. Plans were made towards possibly securing running water in the mission house from the spring owned by Mrs. T. R. Ford, a member of the Mission Committee. Miss Adelaide Whisnant was elected delegate to the Diocesan Convention, and Mr. Joseph Harrison, alternate. Beginning St. Mark's Day the hour of services in St. Mary's is being changed from 3:00 P. M. to 9:30 A. M. on the second and fourth Sundays of the month held by the Rev. Mr. Leavell; on other Sundays Mr. John Oxford will serve as Lay Reader and Superintendent of the Church School at the same hour, 9:30 A. M.

### **Trinity Men's Club**

The Men's Club of Trinity Church were hosts to the Churchmen of Church Street at their regular meeting on April 21st. Due to the large number attending, it was not possible to arrange for a dinner meeting.

The program was conducted by Mr. George V. Denny, Director and Moderator of America's Town Meeting. For some years the Town Meeting has been a regular feature of the radio networks, affording opportunity for round table discussions of topics of national and international interest. Mr. Denny was reared in Trinity and his mother still teaches in the kindergarten of the Sunday School.



Editor, **HIGHLAND CHURCHMAN**:

May I offer some comments on the article about Bishops by the Rev. Gale Webbe in your April issue?

He gives some interpretations which need, I believe, some modifications. His use of the terms Apostolic Succession and Authority are open to question.

The Bishopric, as he describes it, simply did not exist in the primitive Church. The terms Episcopos and Presbuteros—Bishop and Presbyter, are synonymous in the New Testament (See Acts 20:17 and v. 28) and their functions in the New Testament are not of the highly sacerdotal character described by Mr. Webbe.

The Episcopate as it appeared in the second century was a development, and much of the authority and powers ascribed to it were also developments. In fact, a part of the later developments included the papacy and papal infallibility, but I am sure that Mr. Webbe will not accept these developments.

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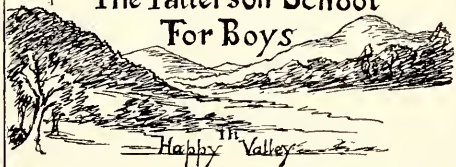
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## EDITORIAL

It is with profound satisfaction and joy that we print the name of the Rev. M. George Henry on our mast head as the Bishop-Elect of this Diocese. Mr.

Henry's acceptance of his election will insure us of vital, forward-looking leadership. We should all well know by this time that although we are a diocese, this is really a missionary area, and we are confident that the man who has been elected will do much to expand the missionary effort of our Church. Mr. Henry has demonstrated his "rural-mindedness" by his work in the mission field connected with his former charge in Tarboro where he served a large agricultural group. And his work in Charlotte where he built an urban parish from scratch augurs well for the possibility of building work in the untouched towns or the challenging opportunity that exists in West Asheville where we have no Church.

In his message which we print on the editorial page, Mr. Henry gives us a very important reminder about the division of labor. We must not give way to the temptation to "let George do it", but must unite all our efforts to uphold his hand. We shall be prepared to say to Mr. Henry upon the day of his consecration, "here is a field white for the harvest, but the laborers are *not* few."

To the Clergy and Laity  
of the Diocese of Western  
North Carolina:

It is with a very definite sense of being called by the Holy Spirit that I accept the election to be Bishop of the Diocese of Western North Carolina. God speaks through His Church as well as to individuals directly. St. Matthias was chosen by a council of the Church assembled, and he heeded the call. St. Paul had an experience on the road to Damascus, and he heeded the call. Both were chosen vessels for their Master's work.

With a conviction that the convention of the Diocese of Western North Carolina was guided by the Holy Spirit, and with an inner experience that has been mine in the past few weeks, I am humbly accepting the high honor with the huge responsibility that goes with it.

God does not use one man for great tasks. He chooses many. The consecration of one man to the episcopacy does not make great the Church nor even one Diocese of the Church. The whole Church, bishops, priests, deacons and laity, are the Body of Christ, and every member of the same in his vocation and ministry is needed to further the reconciliation of man to God. Depending upon the power of God, we will go forward together with the assurance Christ will work in and through us in the establishment of His Kingdom.

M. GEORGE HENRY

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## Henry Elected Bishop

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The Reverend Matthew George Henry was elected Bishop of the Diocese of Western North Carolina at the Diocesan Convention held on May 14th in Trinity Church, Asheville. His election took place on the ninth ballot.

Mr. Henry is the rector of Christ Church, Charlotte, having held that position since the parish was founded in 1943. Following his ordination to the diaconate in 1935, he served as locum tenens at St. Philip's Church, Durham, and St. Paul's Church, Winston-Salem. In 1936 he was priest in charge of the church at Walnut Cove and later in that year went to Tarboro as rector of Calvary Church where he also had charge of the extensive missionary work carried on by that parish. He was called to Charlotte from Calvary Church. His entire ministry has been in the Diocese of North Carolina.

He was born at Chapel Hill, October 25, 1910, the son of Dr. and Mrs. G. K. G. Henry. Prior to his death, Mr. Henry, the Bishop-Elect's father, was a professor of Latin at the University of North Carolina and later registrar. Mr. Henry was graduated from the University where he was a member of Phi Beta Kappa. Upon graduation he obtained a teaching fellowship at the University and later entered Virginia Theological Seminary, graduating in 1935.

His wife is the former Miss Catherine Sprinkle, to whom he was married in June, 1937. There are three children.

After visiting the Diocese, Mr. Henry called a special meeting of the vestry of Christ Church on Monday, May 24th, and announced his decision to accept the election subject to the consents of a majority of the bishops and standing committees of the Church.

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## Results of Recent Episcopal Election

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Stuart	15 21	14 22	14 20	14 20	12 22	4 9	0 3	1 0	1 0
Warnecke	11 39	12 39	8 37	10 38	12 41	11 41	13 36	12 37	9 34
Henry	4 13	3 10	7 12	6 12	6 7	15 20	16 28	16 32	15 36
Lowry *			0 1	0 1					
Stoney *			1 0	1 0					
Tuton †									2 0
Doll †									2 0

\* Nominated after second ballot.

† Nominated after eighth ballot.



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## Diocesan Convention Highlights

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The Convention opened with a celebration of the Holy Communion at 10:30 a. m. on Thursday, May 13th. At 11:15 the Convention was called to order and the Reverend James P. Burke, Secretary of the Diocese, was elected to act as Presiding Officer for the Convention of 1948.

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The Rev. Mr. Burke in a brief opening address, stated that all regular business would have to be transacted on the opening day in order to leave the second day completely clear for the election of a bishop. To insure the speedy completion of business, most of the reports of committees and departments were presented by title. These reports will appear in full in the 1948 Journal.

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In accepting his unanimous election as Secretary of the Diocese, Mr. Burke stated that it had been his intention to refuse the election. He felt, however, that it would be more difficult for a new bishop to work with a Secretary who was not thoroughly familiar with the functions of the office. He made it clear that he would like to see a new Secretary next year.

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The Rev. Edgar Goold, formerly president of St. Augustine's College, Raleigh, and now rector of Grace Church, Waynesville, was welcomed to the Convention and granted a seat and voice. Mr. Goold had not been long enough in the Diocese to be granted a vote, according to canon.

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Present at Roll Call were several retired clergy of the Diocese: The Rev. Messrs. G. F. Rogers, George Hurlbut, James Sill, N. C. Duncan, Hugh Dobbin, C. P. Burnett, and Fathers Arthur Farnum and Frank Saylor.

As the first day had been divided into two parliamentary days, nominations for diocesan positions and the presentation of the 1949 Budget were part of the morning session's order of business.

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Luncheon on the first day was served by the Auxiliary of Trinity Church with delegates and visitors being invited as guests of the parish. The ladies had planned to use the same ham for the next day's luncheon when they realized that the second day was Friday and so the menu was changed to include fish. There can be no doubt that there was much harmony during this Convention.

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As usual, the adoption of the Budget was an item of much interest. With some minor changes, notably increasing the HIGHLAND CHURCHMAN appropriation, the Budget was adopted. There was some discussion of the matter of missionary stipends and the hope was expressed that there could be a minimum salary of \$2800 for married clergy and \$2600 for unmarried missionaries. It would seem that the cost of wives has not increased in proportion to the cost of similar luxuries.

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In presenting the Budget, Mr. E. L. Kemper expressed himself as being delighted to have had the opportunity to serve as chairman of the Department of Finance. He said that in so serving he had gained a greater insight into the work of the Church. The Diocese is indebted to Mr. Kemper for his work of the past three years, a work to which he has brought much talent and a spirit of devotion to the Church.

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A new method of balloting for diocesan officers was used for the first time at this Convention. All officers were

printed on one large ballot with directions of the number of officers to be voted upon. The use of this ballot, passed upon by vote of the Convention, proved much speedier than the old method of voting for each office on individual ballots.

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The Standing Committee elected is now composed of the following: The Rev. Messrs. J. P. Burke, G. M. Jenkins, C. G. Leavell, J. W. Tuton and Messrs. A. B. Stoney, W. L. Balthis, F. P. Bacon and W. M. Redwood.

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New members of the Executive Council are the Rev. Messrs. Burke and Leavell and Messrs. Charles Waddell and Ben Sumner. Mr. Waddell is a member of All Souls, Biltmore, and Mr. Sumner is a communicant of St. Francis' Church, Rutherfordton.

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The Rev. James McKeown and Mr. V. J. Brown were elected Trustees of Sewanee, The Rev. B. M. Lackey, Sr., and Mrs. A. B. Stoney are Trustees of St. Mary's Raleigh, and the Rev. W. C. Cravner and Mr. W. L. Balthis were elected Managers for Thompson Orphanage.

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Lay and clerical delegates and alternates to the Provincial Synod are too numerous to mention.

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## THE SECOND DAY

The day appointed for the election of a bishop opened with a celebration of the Holy Communion at 7:30, the Rev. John Tuton, celebrant. A layman prominent in matters fiduciary, later remarked that he was delighted to see such a "large" number of the clergy present at a celebration preceding an important election.

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Following the call to order at 10 a. m. there was some discussion of the rules which would govern the nominating and balloting. Nominating speeches were

limited to ten minutes and seconding speeches to three. There was no limit set on the number of seconding speeches at the outset, although it later became necessary to prohibit seconding speeches for the first three candidates named. During this discussion, Fr. Farnum was heard to remark mildly to those around him, "When Matthias and Barsabas were voted upon, who made the nominating speeches?" A motion by Mr. Kingsland VanWinkle to have the first ballot serve only as a test ballot, not counting towards election and not being recorded, was defeated.

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With nominations in order, the chair first recognized the Rev. Ralph K. Webster, rector of St. Francis' Church, Rutherfordton. Fr. Webster nominated the Very Rev. Albert R. Stuart, Dean of Christ Church Cathedral, New Orleans. Several seconding speeches followed. The Rev. Frederick J. Warnecke, rector of St. Mark's Church, Richmond, Va., was then nominated, and his nomination was strongly seconded in speeches by several clergymen and laymen. Following the nomination of the Rev. M. George Henry and seconding speeches in his favor, there seemed to be no further interest in placing names in nomination. Nominations were not closed, so it was made possible for further nominations to take place after voting had started.

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It was decided that there would be less chance of confusion in the voting if lay delegates voted by a roll call of the parishes and missions. The clergy, of course, voted separately.

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Following the second ballot, the names of the Rev. Charles Lowry, rector of All Saints' Church, Chevy Chase, Md., and the Rev. William Stoney of Anniston, Ala., were put in nomination.

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After lunch (fish) the Rev. B. M. Lackey, Sr., added a much needed light

touch. In answering questions concerning Mr. Henry's possible acceptance, he said, "If you want to elect someone you are sure will accept, elect me."

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It was apparent on the fifth ballot that a deadlock had developed between Mr. Warnecke and Mr. Stuart. Mr. Warnecke had consistently won a majority of the lay vote, but lack of a majority in the clerical house prevented his election. The *Veni Creator* (plain-song version) was chirped and "The Church's One Foundation" was thundered before the sixth ballot. It was on this ballot that Mr. Henry picked up the clerical strength that continued until his election.

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Before the ninth ballot was cast, the Rev. John Tuton was nominated as was the Rev. Harry L. Doll of Baltimore.

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"And the lot fell upon Matthias."

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Someone did some very wise parliamentary thinking in moving that the Convention be recessed for thirty days rather than adjourned. In the event the bishop-elect had not accepted, it would have been necessary only for the Chairman to call the Convention back to order. If the Convention had adjourned, and Mr. Henry had not accepted, it would have then been necessary to wait sixty days after a special convention was called. As matters now stand, the Convention is automatically adjourned upon the lack of a call to order.

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With baseball very much in the air around Asheville, it was not inappropriate when Mr. Burke remarked that the game had gone a full nine innings.

## **Bishop-Elect Visits Diocese**

The Rev. M. George Henry paid a brief visit to the Diocese on May 20th, meeting with priests and laymen at a meeting held at the Biltmore Country Club. Mr. V. Jordan Brown was in charge of arrangements which included a luncheon at the Country Club. Almost every clergyman now resident within the Diocese was present as were some laymen and laywomen of the Diocese.

The Rev. Mark Jenkins presided at the meeting and introduced Mr. Henry. At the time, Mr. Henry had not yet made his decision to accept his election, but he spoke highly of the things he had seen and heard on his brief tour. He had been able to visit Lenoir, Morganton, Marion, Black Mountain and Asheville on his way from Charlotte. He closed his brief address by asking the prayers of the Diocese in helping him to make the weighty decision that had been placed upon him.

Time did not allow everyone to make an address of welcome and encouragement to the Bishop-Elect, but some of the clergy were heard from. J. P. Burke, I. N. Northup, A. R. Morgan, W. C. Leach and G. D. Webbe made brief remarks.

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## **Diocese of North Carolina To Elect Bishop Coadjutor**

At the Annual Convention of the Diocese of North Carolina, held May 11th and 12th, it was decided that a Bishop-Coadjutor would be elected. This election will not take place until the next Convention of the Diocese to be held in May, 1949. The matter of securing episcopal assistance for Bishop Penick had been under consideration for some time and it was as an outgrowth of this consideration that the suggestion was made unofficially that the state be divided into two dioceses instead of the present three.

## WOMAN'S AUXILIARY

The Woman's Auxiliary of the Church of the Holy Cross, Tryon, meeting in the home of the president, Mrs. W. A. Dobbin, on Monday, May 17th, enjoyed a very interesting and worthwhile meeting. There were thirty people present, with three guests from the Saluda branch. After a most interesting talk about her work the County Visiting Nurse, Miss Garcia, was given a shower of articles useful in her work with indigent patients. She received two large cartons of soap, talcum powder, rubbing alcohol, sheets, pillow cases, towels, nightwear, and anything else the members could think of use to bed-ridden people.

It was also voted to keep a basket in a central place downtown at all times, so that members might leave fruit, jellies, cookies and the like with which to vary the diets of the sick in Polk County unable to get them personally.

St. Agnes' Guild has for sometime been giving Miss Garcia five dollars a month to spend at her discretion for the needs of these people.

The above news item on social service brings to mind that the two new publications from the Department of Christian Social Service are most helpful. They are "Our Parish Serves Its Community" and "Christian Social Relations In The Parish", and may be obtained from the National Council.

While typing this last article, the retiring Promotion Chairman is acutely aware of her failure in helping to meet one real challenge to the Auxiliary. This is the challenge of organizing Auxiliary branches in the parish and churches that have gone for years without one.

Why do these congregations not have Auxiliary groups? Is it due to lack of knowledge of what the Auxiliary can accomplish? Is it that they have tried it and failed? Is it due to the indiffer-

ence of the clergy? Or is it that the Diocesan Auxiliary has failed in providing sufficient impetus and leadership? To say that many of the groups are too small is not the answer—there are groups of six women, or nine, doing stupendous jobs through their Auxiliary.

Whatever the cause, it seems that this is one challenge the Auxiliary must attempt to meet. Whether it be through the clergy, through the women, or through sponsoring Auxiliaries of nearby churches, there should be an Auxiliary branch in *every* parish and mission in the Diocese.

A final plea to the Diocesan officers and the branch presidents: Please keep the news before the Diocese by sending in items to your new Promotion Chairman.

## YOUNG CHURCHMEN'S NEWS

At the time of this writing, the Young Churchmen's Camp of the Diocese of Western North Carolina is in its third day of fun and fellowship. This is the fifth annual camp of the Diocesan Youth, and there are many familiar campers in the group. There are very few unfamiliar ones now, because it doesn't take anyone long to get acquainted here at Patterson Camp, located in the beautiful region known as Happy Valley.

There has been considerable rain during these past few days, but that has not kept us from getting off to a bang-up start. The classes are well attended (not just because it is compulsory) and the programs have been well accepted. The program tonight will be the traditional "Frankie and Johnnie" being presented by the counsellors and faculty members.

We have the largest group of campers ever to attend Patterson this year, and the dining room and dormitories are filled to overflowing.



# Received By The Diocese of Western North Carolina From Parishes and Missions

January 1st to March 31st, 1948

Made	Paid	PARISHES	Made	Paid
\$ 891.53	\$ 150.00	Asheville, Trinity -----	\$ 2,507.44	\$ 784.03
207.39	-----	Asheville, St. Mary's -----	430.71	-----
99.66	-----	Asheville, St. Matthias' -----	291.86	-----
794.15	265.82	Biltmore, All Souls' -----	2,233.55	470.20
135.58	-----	Brevard, St. Philip's -----	384.33	79.84
70.76	-----	Flat Rock, St. John's -----	219.74	-----
261.66	65.43	Fletcher, Calvary -----	650.00	198.31
281.67	70.41	Gastonia, St. Mark's -----	792.20	198.00
243.27	-----	Hendersonville, St. James' -----	684.25	92.92
226.57	-----	Hickory, Ascension -----	637.22	-----
175.43	23.34	Lenoir, St. James' -----	495.39	59.45
167.64	-----	Lincolnton, St. Luke's -----	471.50	45.67
136.07	-----	Marion, St. John's -----	382.70	-----
398.18	-----	Morganton, Grace -----	1,119.88	208.55
233.95	-----	Rutherfordton, St. Francis' -----	657.98	-----
451.29	35.22	Tryon, Holy Cross -----	1,269.25	211.54
101.07	101.07	Waynesville, Grace -----	284.27	-----
63.80	31.90	Wilkesboro, St. Paul's -----	179.42	89.72
\$4,959.69	\$ 789.09	TOTAL -----	\$13,671.69	\$ 2,438.23

## MISSIONS

\$ 35.00	\$ 35.00	Arden, Christ School -----	\$ 85.00	-----
35.73	-----	Asheville, The Redeemer -----	100.50	-----
16.72	-----	Asheville, St. Luke's -----	47.03	-----
17.49	-----	Asheville, Trinity Chapel -----	49.18	-----
10.00	-----	Bat Cave, Transfiguration -----	80.10	-----
10.00	-----	Beaver Creek, St. Mary's -----	21.55	-----
10.00	10.00	Bessemer City, St. Andrew's -----	27.30	27.30
87.27	-----	Black Mountain, St. James -----	245.43	-----
30.00	-----	Blowing Rock, Stringfellow M. -----	56.84	-----
24.91	24.91	Boon, St. Luke's -----	70.06	70.06
60.54	-----	Canton, St. Andrew's -----	190.29	-----
6.00	-----	Cullowhee, St. David's -----	8.50	-----
13.11	-----	Edneyville, St. Paul's -----	36.87	42.92
61.55	-----	Franklin, St. Agnes -----	193.10	-----
10.00	2.00	Franklin, St. Cyprian's -----	16.25	4.50
10.00	-----	Glen Alpine, St. Paul's -----	12.00	-----
10.00	-----	Glendale Springs, Holy Trinity -----	17.50	-----
10.00	-----	High Shoals, St. John's -----	21.11	-----
52.36	52.36	Highlands, Incarnation -----	147.26	73.64
10.00	-----	Hot Springs, St. John's -----	10.00	-----
25.00	-----	Legerwood, Chapel of Rest -----	81.95	-----
10.00	-----	Lincolnton, St. Cyprian's -----	18.33	-----
10.00	-----	Lincoln, Woodside, Our Saviour -----	37.15	-----
20.00	-----	Little Switzerland, Resurrection -----	30.50	-----
12.00	-----	Morganton, St. Mary's -----	60.12	-----
10.00	-----	Morganton, St. Stephen's -----	13.82	-----
18.00	18.00	Murphy, Messiah -----	52.58	52.58
30.50	-----	Rutherfordton, St. Gabriel's -----	85.99	-----
10.00	10.00	Saluda, Transfiguration -----	55.00	55.00
67.30	67.30	Shelby, The Redeemer -----	189.30	-----
10.00	-----	Sylva, St. John's -----	15.74	-----
10.00	-----	Todd, St. Matthew's -----	8.05	-----
43.00	10.75	Valle Crucis, Holy Cross -----	133.96	193.31
12.00	-----	Asheville, Grace -----	17.70	-----
-----	-----	Blackstone, Mission -----	5.00	-----
10.00	-----	Cashiers, Good Shepherd -----	10.00	-----
10.00	-----	Cherokee, St. Francis of Assisi -----	13.00	-----
-----	-----	Edneyville, St. Peter's -----	-----	-----
-----	-----	Lincolnton, St. Paul's -----	-----	-----
-----	-----	Lincolnton, St. Stephen's -----	-----	-----
12.00	-----	Linnville, All Saints -----	24.40	-----
-----	-----	Morganton, St. Elizabeth's -----	-----	-----
12.00	-----	Penland, Good Shepherd -----	30.55	12.25
6.00	-----	Rutherfordton, Missions -----	8.00	-----
10.00	10.00	Tryon, Good Shepherd -----	11.00	-----
12.00	-----	Upward, St. John Baptist -----	61.00	-----
-----	-----	Valle Crucis, St. John Baptist -----	-----	-----
\$ 895.69	\$ 240.32	TOTAL -----	\$ 2,358.57	\$ 531.56
\$5,855.38	\$1,029.41	TOTAL -----	\$16,030.26	\$ 2,969.79



## Two Good Offerings . . .

It has been announced that the Presiding Bishop's Fund for World Relief has reached the total of \$4,803.40 in the Diocese. This figure represents an offering well over the Diocesan quota which was in the neighborhood of three thousand dollars. Although it does not reach the figure of over five thousand dollars raised last year, it may well be that before the year is out 1947's total may be exceeded. It will be remembered that most of this year's offering was raised in one day.

The Lenten Mite Box Offering from the Diocese for 1948 is over \$1,350.00. With this very creditable showing, Western North Carolina has contributed over \$6,150.00 for work of the Church outside of the Diocese.

## And a Bad Quarterly Report

Printed elsewhere in **THE HIGHLAND CHURCHMAN** is a quarterly report from Mr. Redwood giving the amounts received from each parish and mission on assessment and quota. It is not a report which is a pleasure to print.

Out of 34 organized missions, only 9 are listed as paying anything on their assessment and only 8 of the 34 paid anything at all on their quotas. And lest the parishes get too high an opinion of themselves, their proportionate record is little better.

**THE HIGHLAND CHURCHMAN** had intended to make a separate list of those which were in arrears. It isn't necessary with the gaps so glaringly apparent, and besides, there wouldn't be enough space.

## Boundary Committee Authorized

The Diocesan Convention unanimously passed a motion by Dr. P. N. Devere of Morganton to authorize a committee to study the matter of realignment of the diocesan lines in North Carolina. This action is similar to those taken by the Dioceses of North Carolina and East Carolina at their conventions which

were held just previous to that of Western North Carolina's. This committee is to meet with the committees of the two other Dioceses at the call of the Secretary of the Diocese of North Carolina. The first meeting is to take place within four months of the formation of the committees.

The joint sessions of these committees will make a thorough study of all matters and problems pertaining to changing diocesan boundaries and a full report of their deliberations shall be made to the conventions next year.

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\$1,315.00	Asheville, Trinity -----	\$ 2,510.00
322.00	Asheville, St. Mary's -----	615.00
109.00	Asheville, St. Matthias -----	208.00
1,170.00	Biltmore, All Souls -----	2,232.00
219.00	Brevard, St. Philips -----	417.00
130.00	Flat Rock, St. John -----	250.00
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216.00	Lincolnton, St. Luke's ----	412.00
234.00	Marion, St. John's -----	445.00
580.00	Morganton, Grace -----	1,196.00
358.00	Rutherfordton, St. Francis	684.00
729.00	Tryon, Holy Cross -----	1,391.00
170.00	Waynesville, Grace -----	323.00
103.00	Wilkesboro, St. Paul -----	196.00
\$7,420.00		\$14,239.00

### ORGANIZED MISIONS

\$ 68.00	Arden, Christ School -----	\$ 170.00
89.00	Asheville, Redeemer -----	110.00
36.00	Asheville, St. Luke's -----	68.00
31.00	Asheville, Trinity Chapel --	60.00
30.00	Bat Cave, Transfiguration	57.00
10.00	Beaver Creek, St. Mary's --	12.00
39.00	Bessemer City, St. Andrews	47.00
117.00	Black Mountain, St. James	224.00
30.00	Blowing Rock, St. Mary's--	37.00
48.00	Boone, St. Luke's -----	99.00
114.00	Canton, St. Andrews -----	218.00
10.00	Cherokee, St. Francis of Assisi -----	12.00
10.00	Cullowhee, St. David -----	12.00
19.00	Edneyville, St. Paul -----	36.00
96.00	Franklin, St. Agnes -----	183.00
10.00	Franklin, St. Cyprian's ----	12.00
10.00	Glen Alpine, St. Paul -----	12.00
13.00	Glendale Springs, Holy Trinity -----	17.00
10.00	High Shoals, St. John's ---	12.00
80.00	Highlands, Incarnation ----	154.00
10.00	Hot Springs, St. John -----	12.00
20.00	Legerwood, Chapel of Rest	80.00
10.00	Lincolnton, St. Cyprian's --	12.00
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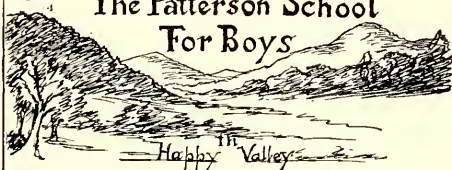
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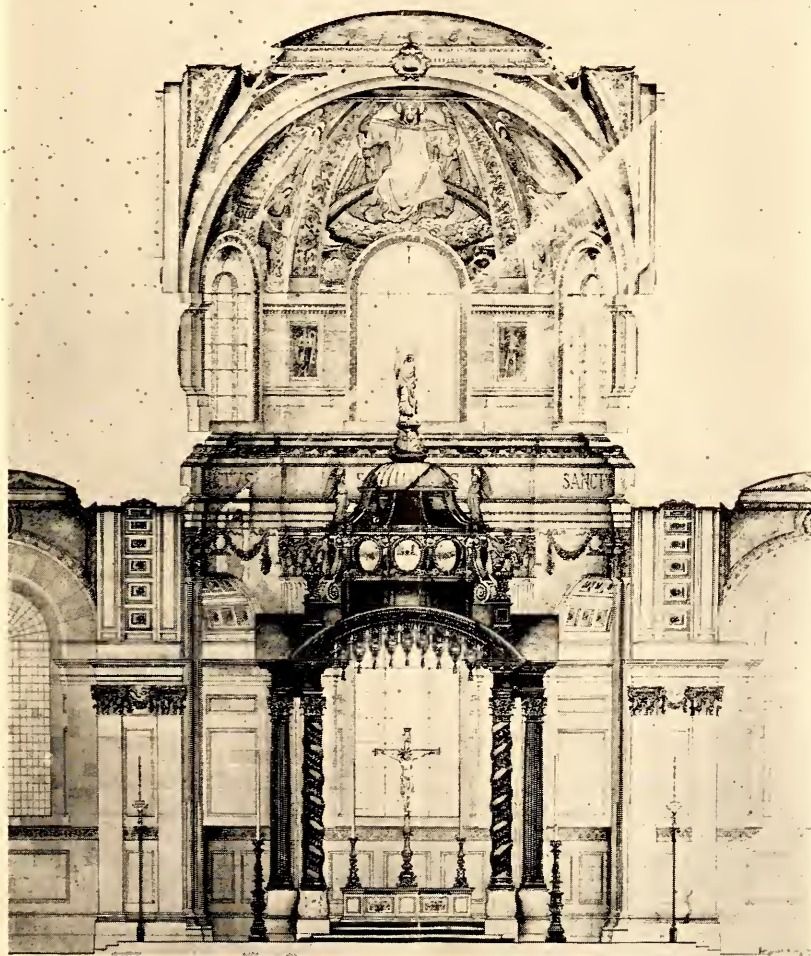


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## Diocesan Boundaries

(Excerpt from Address to the Diocesan Convention, May, 1948)

(From North Carolina Churchman)

During the past year I have occasionally had reason to think that some discussion was going on concerning the boundary lines on our eastern and western borders. So far as my knowledge extended, this discussion was limited to a few localities and to a small number of individuals. It may have been more general than I was aware. The three or four communications on the subject that I received were of a personal nature, entirely informal, and reflected only the opinion of individuals. They afforded excellent examples of our belief in the untrammelled freedom of speech and press. I have made no official utterance on this subject out of deference to this body, for any action that might contemplate even the slightest shift in our diocesan territory is of so serious a nature that it should originate, not with me, but with this Conven-

tion. The last time the question of realigning our diocesan boundaries received the official attention of this body was in 1935, when the Convention adopted the report of its Special Committee to the effect that the boundaries of this diocese should remain unchanged.

I see no reason why this subject should be reopened. In saying this, I do not mean to influence the judgment of this Convention if you should decide that it is desirable to revive the discussion. If, in the opinion of this body, there are good and sufficient reasons why this issue should be re-examined, I would, of course, acquiesce in your wishes. In such case, however, I would want it to be understood that this acquiescence has reference only to any new study of the subject that may be undertaken by a Special Committee, and does not apply to any findings or recommendations that such a committee may offer a year from now. My consent to the reconsideration of this subject now must not be construed as my canonical approval, at any future time, of any readjustment of diocesan territory that may be proposed. The clearly delineated responsibility of the Bishop in such matters has prompted me to speak frankly.

Edwin A. Penick,  
Bishop of North Carolina.

## OUR COVER

NEW HIGH ALTAR FOR ST. PAUL'S, LONDON—Detailed drawing of new high altar which is to be erected in St. Paul's Cathedral. Altar materials will be oak and ornaments will be of gold. Officials believe new altar will fulfill intentions of Sir Christopher Wren, who designed St. Paul's. The cathedral, opened in 1697, is considered the finest example of Renaissance architecture in England.

—Religious News Service Photo.

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## Church Institute Meets At Valle Crucis

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The Southern Rural Church Institute, a unit of the Student Rural Field Service of National Council, and held in cooperation with the Board of Managers of the Valle Crucis School, and the Priest-in-charge of Holy Cross Church, Valle Crucis, opened the evening of June fifteenth for the third annual session. The Rev. E. Dargan Butt, formerly of the Diocese of Western North Carolina and of Valle Crucis, and now on the faculty of Seabury-Western Theological Seminary, Evanston, Illinois, is acting as Director of the Institute.

The Student Rural Field Service is carried on for the purpose of giving clinical work in the town-country church field to the theological students, women in training for Church work, and others interested in gaining more knowledge and inspiration in this work. There are in residence this year at Valle Crucis sixteen students representing the following seminaries and training schools: Sewanee, Virginia, Seabury-Western, Philadelphia, and St. Faith's.

The faculty consists of men and women who are trained leaders and teachers of town-country church work. Beside the Director, who is giving a course on Rural Sociology; the following will teach at the Institute: Miss Charlotte Tomkins, of National Council, "Christian Education;" The Res. Messrs A. R. Morgan and Jas. McKeown, "The Rural Church;" The Rev. J. Warren Albinson, "The Cooperative Rural Parish;" Miss Ethel Ried, Durham, N. C., "The Vacation Church School;" Mr. Frank Smith, Berea College, "Rural Community Recreation;" the Rev. James McClain, "Visual Aids;" the Rev. Demont Clarke, "The Lord's Acre;" and other lectures by various leaders, on "Soil Conservation;" "Laymen and Rural Church Work;" "The Work of the Rural County Agencies", and like subjects.

On the completion of the three week course of training, the students will be sent into the field to work under selected Priests, actively participating in the various phases of rural church work. While at Valle Crucis all students will spend part of the time working on the farm under the oversight of the farm manager, Mr. Mont Glover.

The Student Rural Field Service is carried on in cooperation with the various seminaries and women's training schools, and students receive credit in the schools for successful work done during the summer in the Institutes.

Visitors who are interested in this work are cordially invited to stop by Valle Crucis to see the work of the Institute.

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### Parish Has Publicity Chairman

Grace Church, Waynesville, has an interesting feature in its organizational life which might well be imitated by other parishes. There is a Rector's Guild and among the officers is a chairman in charge of publicity. The chairman this year is Miss Evelyn Reed. If every parish and organized mission had someone who was in charge of publicity, news would not be lacking for the diocesan paper and there would be a better possibility for the Episcopal Church to get in the news through the secular press.

The parish is busily engaged in making many necessary repairs to the Rectory, providing new hymnals and new carpet for the church. In a small but growing congregation, the Guild is sponsoring suppers to raise funds for these purposes. The first of these suppers was served under the supervision of Mrs. M. C. Green, assisted by Mrs. J. L. Taliaferro, Mrs. John Taylor and Mrs. M. Marshall.



# CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

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The summer conference never should and never will be a substitute for training in a good Sunday school, or the privilege of being brought up in a good Christian home. But if it is added to these experiences nothing can equal it in deepening and intensifying the previous Christian training received.

What are the advantages of attendance at a good summer conference? I believe they are these:

First, there is the experience of fellowship with other believers in an experience which is dedicated to worship, study, service and enjoyment. Being a part of a group for a few weeks, which is living the Christian life intensely is by itself a strong builder of Christian loyalty.

Second, at a summer conference, the caliber of instructor is superior. More resources are available in instructors and instruction than can be mustered by the average local priest. No matter how well one has been trained before, he is bound to learn more at a summer conference.

Third, the opportunity to deepen an awareness of God through corporate worship is greatly enhanced at a summer conference. Often the most cherished and remembered part of the conference is the chapel service. Why? Because a fresh glimpse of the reality of God and His Divine Grace is gained there.

There are many summer conferences held in all provinces of the Church. Church people, young and old, will benefit in knowledge, in spirit and in bodily health by attending one of them this summer.

—John Heuss, *Churchways*.

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### THAT SUPREME COURT DECISION

**A Statement by the Rev. John Heuss,  
D.D., Director of the Department of  
Christian Education of the  
National Council.**

The adverse decision of the United States Supreme Court in the matter of the weekday religious education in the public schools was a great shock to all Churchmen and a sad blow to this increasingly popular practice. Coming at a time in history when it is all too apparent that society needs most desperately to fortify itself with all the forces of righteousness, it is regrettable that anything should indicate a shift in government policy from an attitude of encouragement and friendliness to public instruction in religion to one of neutrality.

The decision itself will drastically affect further use of public school buildings for religious classes. It does not yet affect the holding of classes on released time in church buildings. Therefore, it is urged upon the leadership of all Episcopal churches where the authorities move to discontinuance of classes in the public school building, that immediate provision be made to house



these classes in their own buildings. There is some ambiguity at the moment as to the court's intention to rule out all released time. However, four of the justices indicated that they did not intend to do so, and a fifth dissented from the opinion because he feared this result. On these grounds, we interpret the law at this moment as having no effect upon released time when instruction is given in the church building.

This Department recognized and approves the propriety of respecting this decision and urges conformity to it in both spirit and letter, but it does not urge a hasty change of any local situation initiated by the church. Let that come from the school authorities. The situation is not at this moment clear enough. Clarification will come with time.

One thing is obvious. More than ever, the responsibility for religious instruction rests upon us in the Church. Let each parish give even greater thought to the discharge of the greatest task.

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The articles in the pamphlets have been prepared by laymen and clergy who have had particular success in the field about which they write. The articles are concise and suggestive.

The two pamphlets now available are "Organization" and "Evangelism through Worship and Education." Price 10c each.

## Parish Has Service Of Dedication For Teachers

A very significant service has been held each September for more than twenty years in St. Mark's Church, San Antonio. This brings together all the teachers of the congregation, both from the public and the private schools of the city, for a service of Holy Communion with special prayers for them as they begin their work. The service is followed by breakfast, served by one of the guilds, with all the teachers as guests. This year the Superintendent of the City Schools and the Rector made addresses at the breakfast.

"Since there can be no religious teaching as such in the schools," writes Mrs. J. H. Moore, "the stressing of religion on the part of those who have the responsibility of training the young cannot be overemphasized."

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## Patterson School Issues Pamphlet

The Patterson School for Boys at Legerwood has recently issued a very colorful and interesting brochure setting forth the development of the school together with a prospectus for future expansion. The pamphlet is profusely illustrated with photographs of the activities of the boys at the school and also contains architectural drawings of the projected buildings.

One feature of the booklet which should be of great interest to the Diocese and particularly to its young people, is a panorama drawing which prominently features the future Camp Patterson. For some time past the School has been host to many camp groups among which is the annual camp for the youth of the Diocese. Camp Patterson will have cabins for campers and leaders, dining hall, recreational facilities and a large lake for swimming and boating.

Patterson School is a diocesan school,

but for many years past has received only nominal financial support from the Diocese. The past ten years of expansion and increasing effectiveness has been made possible by the interest and support of individuals. Diocesan and parish groups which are interested in learning more about Patterson School can do so by writing to Mr. George Wiese. Arrangements can be made for a showing of the color film, "Happy Valley", a good presentation of the life and work of the School.

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## Bishop Gribbin Visits St. Francis', Rutherfordton

The Rt. Rev. Robert E. Gribbin, D. D., visited St. Francis', Rutherfordton, at 8:00 P. M. Sunday night, June 20th. The Rev. Ralph K. Webster, Rector of St. Francis', presented a class of eight persons, one of whom was a candidate from Grace Church, Morganton. Taking as his charge to the class "Daily increase", Bishop Gribbin stressed growth in the Christian life both in his talk to the class and in his sermon to the congregation of some sixty or more persons.

St. Francis' has an excellent solution for church services and Church School for the summer months. Beginning July 4th there is to be only one service each Sunday, the Holy Eucharist at 9:30 A. M. The regular Church School year will close June 27th, with a special commencement service at 11:00 A. M. For the remainder of the summer brief instructions on the New Testament will be given at the 9:30 Eucharist, and Church School children have been requested to attend with their parents. Summer Church School attendance will be recorded every Sunday, and special awards will be made at the end of the summer. The nursery class will meet in the Cloister House at 9:30 during the regular service hour beginning July 4th.

## YOUTH NEWS

The fifth year of our Diocesan Camp for Young Churchmen at Patterson School has been proclaimed by many as having been the best yet. Of this we cannot be sure; every year has been good. Yet we do feel that we had a very successful camp both from the standpoint of enjoyment and of spiritual advancement. Appreciation to Patterson School for affording the facilities, and to Mr. Wiese and the others on the staff of the school for their cooperation is definitely in order. The Camp staff of faculty and counsellors was excellent. It consisted of the Rev. C. G. Leavell, Director; the Rev. Robert B. Campbell, Vice-Director; the Rev. G. M. Jenkins, the Rev. Howard Rhys, Miss Alene Cronshey, Mrs. Robert B. Campbell, Miss Patricia Page, and Miss Helen Thomas. Due to sickness at home the Rev W. C. Leach and the Rev. R. K. Webster, Chaplain, were unavoidably late in arriving, but their coming gave a boost just at the time it was needed. Other clergy filled in nobly for the Chaplain until his arrival on Thursday.

Sixteen parishes and missions sent young people to swell the total to 54. For the first time attendance honors left Grace Church, Morganton, and went out of the Morganton Convocation to Trinity, Asheville, which had a splendid delegation of seven young people. Valle Crucis and Bessemer City were runners-up with five each. We feel it may be of interest to list the delegations of each congregation, in the order, of their attendance:

Trinity, Asheville: Bill Arden, Rose Marie Brown, Laura Chapman, Nancy Higgs, Betty Kirby, Frances Margaret Reid, Nancy Mae Waller.

Holy Cross, Valle Crucis: Virginia Cook, Sarah Frances Davis, Betty Tester, Joan Evelyn Welch, Margaret Virginia Welch, Linda Townsend.

St. Andrew's, Bessemer City: Alene Cole, Thelma Cole, Gary Hook, Marlene Hovie, Frances Huss.

St. Paul's, Wilkesboro: Joe Barber, Anne Carlton, Pete Reins, Tommy Reins.

St. Mary's, Quaker Meadows (Morganton): Clarence Vernon Harrison, William Nelvin Harrison, Harold Clay Whisnant, Paul R. Whisnant.

Grace, Morganton: Elizabeth Lynn Cline, Charles Douglas Leavell, Mary Aston Leavell, Bennie Smith.

Ascension, Hickory: Mary Anne Brown, David Hill, Nancy Poovey, Betty Lee Short.

St. Paul's, Edneyville: Christine Jones, Jonnie Ruth Moore, Betty Ann Rhodes.

Chapel of Rest, Patterson School, Legerwood: Claude Eaton, Lundy Lenoir, Betty Wiese.

St. James', Lenoir: Millard Caudle, Walter James Hogan, Robert Tolbert.

St. Francis', Rutherfordton: George Bradley, William Bradley, G. Dennis Georgion.

Calvary, Fletcher: Ann Caldwell Hayes, Ann Shuford.

St. James', Hendersonville: Patsy Briggs, Ann Waldrop.

St. Francis', Cherokee: Mary Ann Tahquette, John Bard Tyndall.

St. Mark's, Gastonia: Freida Davenport, Becky Ann Marshall.

Redeemer, Asheville: Patricia Brown.

There were 35 girls and 19 boys. However, the dozen or more boys in residence at Patterson School for the summer about evened up things for the evening programs which included chapel followed by campfires, skits, musical numbers, square dancing and a variety of antics.

On Thursday evening the Rev. G. M. Jenkins, President of the Standing Committee, Chairman of the Youth Commission, and Ghost-Story-Teller par excellence, presided over a business session which voted unanimously to adopt as the project for Young Churchmen of the Diocese this summer and early fall the procurement of a Bishop's Staff or "crozier" to be presented the Rev. M. G. Henry, Bishop-Elect, at his consecration. The offering at Corporate Communion the next morning was \$16.32 and designated for this purpose.

The Diocesan President of Young Churchmen, Miss Mary Aston Leavell, urged the campers to work on this project throughout the summer, and to raise additional funds necessary as soon as possible either through offerings or money-raising undertakings of their local young peoples' groups. Individual or corporate gifts for the crozier should be sent to her, Miss Mary Aston Leavell, 301 S. King St., Morganton, N. C.

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A branch of The Order of St. Vincent for Acolytes has been organized with a membership of six, under the direction of the Rector and Wayne D. Jarrett, a s Warden. Four of the boys, the Warden, and Rector, attended the festival services for acolytes, held in St. Mary's Church, Asheville, on the afternoon of Trinity Sunday. The Sunday School continues to grow, so much so, that the only two class rooms we have are getting crowded. We are using the St. James' Course of Lessons, and are glad to report that the interest on the part of the children is very encouraging. How proud they were when they won the banner for the highest per capita Lenten Offering awarded by the Morganton Convocation!

## St. Stephen's, Morganton, To Build

Preliminary plans for St. Stephen's Mission have been approved, and work drawings are being made with the hope of letting the contract at an early date. The plan calls for a church building which will seat approximately one hundred persons. It will be 26 feet wide in the nave, 36 in the chancel, with an over-all length of 41 feet. A full basement under the chancel will afford space for informal activities and gatherings, and possibly a kitchen.

The amount of cost and cash on hand will determine somewhat the type of material to be used. One plan calls for cinder-block spray-painted inside to resemble stone, with a stucco finish outside. Members of St. Stephen's already are at work in raising funds, and the Diocesan Woman's Auxiliary adopted the new St. Stephen's as this year's Advance Work project for All Saints' Day Offering. Several thousand dollars towards the new structure are in the hands of the Trustees of the Diocese from the sale of the lots on which the present St. Stephen's stands, but it is certain additional funds will be needed. Overtures

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## Question Box

By The Rev. J. P. Burke

*Is a clergyman who is canonically resident in the Diocese, but who has not been canonically resident for six months preceding the Convention, a member of the Convention?*

According to article 2 of our Constitution he is not. This article very definitely defines the groups that compose the Convention, and, he is not included. Canon 1, however, leaves out the six months requirement. In fact, it requires the Ecclesiastical Authority to give his name to the Secretary to be called, appended to the Journal and sent to the Secretary of the General Convention. I would say, therefore, that he is expected to attend Convention, is en-

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titled to a seat without vote. Sometimes the Convention votes to give such a man a voice in the proceedings.

*Must a vacant parish get the approval of the Bishop before it elects a rector?*

Canon 46 of the General Church is our guide in this matter. This canon says:

1. The parish must make known to the Bishop the name of the man it proposes to elect.

2. The parish must send written notice of the election to the Ecclesiastical Authority.

3. "If the Ecclesiastic Authority be satisfied that the person so chosen is a duly qualified minister, and that he has accepted the office, the notice shall be sent to the Secretary of the Convention, who shall record it."

*Is "Dogma" necessary?*

This question implies that the one who asked it is not quite sure as to what "Dogma" is. A dogma is a religious doctrine which has been recognized by the Christian Church as a vital belief for all its members. For example, when a Christian says "I believe in God the Father Almighty" he is uttering a dogma which is a vital belief for all who call themselves Christian. Dogma may be said to be as necessary for the Christian Church as a skeleton is for the human body. Dogmas are clashing all over the world. That is why preaching and teaching are so necessary. They should help the Christian to assert true dogmas, to believe what is true.

## The Bishop-Elect of Western North Carolina

*(Editorial in North Carolina  
Churchman)*

In his 38th year, with plenty of vigor, with an intellectual and ministerial background that has laid the foundation for both scholarship and fluency of speech, with as varied an experience as most any young man could accumulate in so short a time,—rural, small town, and

city pastoral work,—this young man has accepted the Episcopacy, which carries with it labors abundant and a challenge which few realize.

Mr. Henry takes into his new field a more intimate knowledge of the running of his present Diocese than almost any other priest, especially where finances and missions are concerned. He seems to appreciate the needs of rural people, and how they have been neglected, as shown by his report on Diocesan Missions at our recent Convention. He likes the out-of-doors. Simplicity of life and naturalness of conversation enable him to make friends easily. He loves people. His ability and leadership in organization have recruited many new people to become enthusiastic Church members. He possesses a sense of humor which is winning, while his seriousness of purpose and endeavor further enable him to win a following. He revels in undertaking any difficult task.

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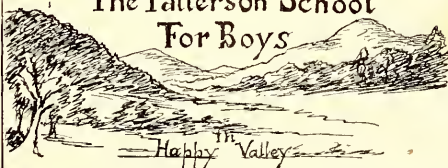
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## The Semi-Annual Report

The paper you are now reading is an organ of the Diocese of Western North Carolina, published by the Department of Promotion. As the rector and members of St. Mary's, Asheville, can testify, an organ can very often give out some very sour notes, and this promotional organ very often does when it has to publish and speak about the financial report of the Diocesan Treasurer.

We have said before and shall continue to say until there is a very marked change for the better, that these reports which must be published every quarter are shameful revelations. And if we are not shamed by the revealing to ourselves of our inconstancy and slipshod payment of debts, we might be when we realize that these reports are read by many outside our Diocese, the National Council included.

There are few churches within this Diocese, located in a vacation area, which do not experience their period of greatest activity during the summer months. In most places many more people are attending our services during the summer and making substantial con-

tributions. And even if they were not, there is no sound reason why congregation after congregation should have paid nothing whatsoever up to June 30th, and there is little excuse for many having given only a fraction of the half which is due. We have elected a bishop and yet we are \$953.35 short of what should be paid on assessment which will go in part to his support. And we have missionaries in the diocese and throughout the world, and yet we are \$4,927.73 short on quota which is to pay the cost of keeping them alive.

When there are eleven parishes far below the half-way mark in payments on their assessments, and ten far below what is expected on their quotas, we wonder if "self-supporting parish" isn't too apt a description.

The worst offenders on both sides of the ledger are the missions. It would seem that many of them have gone soft from too much easy living supported by the Diocese or other agencies. A venerable priest in the Diocese made reference not so long ago to the missions receiving so much "free grace" that they have lost all desire to make any earnest effort. The list of non-payers seems to bear out his contention.

## OUR DEEPEST SYMPATHY

We extend our deepest sympathy to the Rev. George Floyd and Mrs. Rogers for their loss of a grandson, George Floyd Rogers, III. Young George Floyd was a victim of infantile paralysis. While at a camp near Brevard this summer, he was one of four stricken with polio. He was taken to an Asheville hospital immediately, but failed to respond to treatment and died within a few days.

The parents are Mr. and Mrs. Carol Rogers of Burnsville. George Floyd was the maternal grandson of the Rev. and Mrs. George Floyd Rogers. Funeral services were held at Trinity Church, Rev. John Tuton officiating.

## OUR COVER

Grace Church, Waynesville. The Rev. Edgar Goold is rector.

## Consecration Date Set Tentatively

Pending the receipt in time of a sufficient number of consents from bishops and standing committees, a tentative date of September 15th has been set for the consecration of the Rev. M. George Henry as Bishop of the Diocese of Western North Carolina. With many bishops out of the country attending the Lambeth Conference, and the uncertainty of standing committees meeting during the summer months, it is not yet certain that a majority of the necessary consents can be received and order taken by the Presiding Bishop by September 15th.

When the consecration is held, it will be in Trinity Church, Asheville, with the Rev. John Tuton and Fr. Gale Webbe as masters of ceremonies. The bishop-elect's attending presbyters will be the Rev. Boston M. Lackey, Sr., and the Rev. W. C. Leach.

## GIFTS PLANNED FOR BISHOP-ELECT

The list of gifts which will be presented to the Rev. M. George Henry, bishop-elect of the Episcopal diocese of Western North Carolina, upon his consecration, has been announced by the Rev. Mark Jenkins, rector of Calvary church, Fletcher, and president of the standing committee of the diocese.

The clergy of the diocese of North Carolina will give him his vestments, and the Woman's auxiliary in Western North Carolina will give the vestment case.

The bishop's ring is being given by the men of Christ church, Charlotte, of which Mr. Henry is rector, and women of the church will give the pectoral cross and the Youth Service league of the diocese of North Carolina will give his Bible. The Youth Service league of Christ church will present the bishop's book of offices, the young churchmen of this diocese will give the pastoral staff and carrying case, and the Rev. Alfred Cole of Charlotte, a personal friend, will present some books.

## BISHOP'S RESIDENCE PURCHASED

A residence for the Bishop of the Diocese has recently been purchased in Asheville. The house, which is located on Macon Avenue in the Grove Park section, replaces Schoenberger Hall on Ravenscroft Drive which served as the episcopal residence for the first two bishops of the Diocese. According to the accounts of those who have seen the house, it is very attractive, in sound condition, and is further enhanced by having a log cabin on the grounds which can readily be adapted as a study and diocesan office.

## VACANCIES NOW EXISTING

The Bishop-Elect will be faced with the ever-present problem of filling vacant cures throughout the Diocese. At present the following places have no rectors or priests: Asheville, Redeemer and Chunn's Cove; Brevard, St. Philip's; Asheville, St. Matthias; Canton, St. Andrew's; Lincolnton, St. Luke's; Boone, St. Luke's; Rutherfordton, St. Gabriel's; Shelby, Redeemer.

## GRIBBIN JUNIOR ASSUMES NEW POST SOON

It has been announced that the Rev. R. Emmet Gribbin is to become the chaplain to students at Clemson College and rector of the parish church of Holy Trinity, Clemson, S. C. In addition, Mr. Gribbin will teach in the Department of Religion of Clemson College. For the past two years Mr. Gribbin has been chaplain at Kenyon College, Gambier, Ohio, where he also served as rector of the local parish and as priest in charge of a rural mission. His new work should prove a happy one for his friends in this Diocese, for he will inevitably show up at Kanuga.

## CAMPAIGN UNDER WAY

A campaign has been started to raise at least \$25,000 for the purchase of a bishop's residence. This campaign is under the chairmanship of Mr. V. Jordan Brown, who reports that already several thousand dollars has been contributed.



## Mission Salaries To Change

A radical change in the amount of mission salaries was proposed at the last Executive Council meeting when the Council met at Valle Crucis. On the basis of a recommendation from the Department of Missions, a motion was made and passed that mission salaries in 1949 meet a minimum of \$2300 for single clergy and \$2600 for married clergy. Where increases are necessary to bring present salaries up to this minimum, half of the increase will be met from the Diocesan Stipend Fund and half will be met by the congregations served by the clergyman whose salary is to be changed.

One important part of the plan for increasing mission salaries is that there will be more assumption of responsibility each year on the part of the aided parishes and missions. Each aided parish and mission will be asked to assume 10 percent more each year, beginning with 1950. By thus working towards self-support, the aided parish and missions will be put on a healthier basis, and the amounts from the 10 percent reductions will enable the Diocese to provide funds for new work.

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### POLIO SITUATION AFFECTS CHURCH SERVICES

The prevalence of poliomyelitis throughout the Diocese has had its adverse effects on many of the programs of the Church. In compliance with the requests of health authorities, Sunday Schools and Bible Schools have had to close down. This is particularly true of the Churches in and around Asheville.

One of the programs that has been hit particularly hard is that of the Rural Church Institute at Valle Crucis. At the completion of the first ten day period where Bible Schools were conducted in the Valle Crucis mission field, it was the plan to have several schools conducted by the students in Caldwell County. In former years schools had been successfully conducted in Happy Valley, Harper's Chapel and Buffalo Creek. On

the advice of Caldwell County health authorities, this field work period had to be called off. And at the time this is written, it is still problematical as to whether or not schools and programs can be conducted in the missions of the Southwest.

One of the victims of poliomyelitis was the grandson of the Rev. George Floyd Rogers, George Floyd Rogers, III.

After the Asheville Churches had complied with a request of the Health Department to close down all Sunday Schools, a new ruling went into effect which banned all Church services for children and adults alike. At a meeting of the City Council some of the clergymen, although indicating that they would obey the new regulation, protested the use of the term "non-essential" as applied to the services of the Church. A few days previous to the ban, a news item in the Asheville paper stated that movies, sports, Church services, and other non-essential activities might be prohibited.

In the Sundays and Holy Days which have followed the observance of this quarantine, the priests in the three Asheville Churches have continued the services of the worship of God. These services, of course, were not attended by the congregations.

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### MR. REDWOOD REPORTS

Speaking of the half-yearly reports of receipts from parishes and missions which appears elsewhere in the **HIGHLAND CHURCHMAN**, Mr. Redwood writes: "A little better, but still room for improvement. Your Treasurer is still in a receptive mood and would love to hear from those who have paid 'nothing during 1948'."

Mr. Redwood has wrought some kind of miracle, for with receipts from the Diocese far below what they should be at the half year mark, the National Council reports show that the Diocese has paid \$3,615.00. The quota for the Diocese for work of the General Church is \$7,180.00 and only \$2,991.62 was due on the first of June, 1948.



# RECEIVED BY THE DIOCESE OF WESTERN NORTH CAROLINA FROM PARISHES AND MISSIONS

January 1 to June 30

Assessment		PARISHES	Quota	
Made	Paid		Made	Paid
\$ 891.53	\$ 450.00	Asheville, Trinity -----	\$ 2,507.44	\$ 1,772.19
209.39	-----	Asheville, St. Mary's -----	583.28	52.00
99.66	-----	Asheville, St. Matthias -----	291.86	78.75
794.15	265.82	Biltmore, All Souls' -----	2,233.55	490.20
135.58	-----	Brevard, St. Philip's -----	381.33	149.40
90.76	-----	Flat Rock, St. John's -----	255.26	-----
261.66	130.86	Fletcher, Calvary -----	735.90	335.96
281.67	117.55	Gastonia, St. Mark's -----	792.20	415.00
243.27	121.66	Hendersonville, St. James' -----	684.25	263.78
226.57	-----	Hickory, Ascension -----	637.22	55.00
175.43	75.10	Lenoir, St. James' -----	495.39	194.80
167.64	-----	Lincolnton, St. Luke's -----	471.56	92.44
136.09	68.04	Marion, St. John's -----	382.74	213.74
398.18	-----	Morganton, Grace -----	1,119.88	750.77
233.95	-----	Rutherfordton, St. Francis' -----	657.98	24.49
451.29	188.05	Tryon, Holy Cross -----	1,269.25	530.22
101.07	101.07	Waynesville, Grace -----	284.29	200.00
63.86	47.85	Wilkesboro, St. Paul's -----	179.42	134.58
\$4,959.69	\$1,442.14	TOTAL -----	\$13,942.68	\$ 5,834.98

## MISSIONS

35.00	35.00	Arden, Christ School -----	85.00	-----
35.73	-----	Asheville, The Redeemer -----	100.50	-----
16.72	16.72	Asheville, St. Luke's -----	49.03	27.03
17.49	-----	Asheville, Trinity Chapel -----	49.18	-----
10.00	-----	Bat Cave, Transfiguration -----	80.10	-----
10.00	-----	Beaver Creek, St. Mary's -----	21.55	-----
10.00	10.00	Bessemer City, St. Andrew's -----	29.30	52.40
87.27	-----	Black Mountain, St. James -----	245.43	-----
30.00	-----	Blowing Rock, Stringfellow M. -----	56.84	-----
24.91	24.91	Boone, St. Luke's -----	70.06	70.06
60.54	-----	Canton, St. Andrew's -----	190.29	-----
6.00	-----	Cullowhee, St. David's -----	18.50	-----
13.11	-----	Edneyville, St. Paul's -----	36.87	42.92
61.55	-----	Franklin, St. Agnes -----	193.10	8.33
10.00	5.50	Franklin, St. Cyprian's -----	16.25	27.58
10.00	10.00	Glen Alpine, St. Paul's -----	12.00	7.29
10.00	-----	Glendale Springs, Holy Trinity -----	17.30	-----
10.00	10.00	High Shoals, St. John's -----	21.11	21.11
52.36	52.36	Highlands, Incarnation -----	147.26	103.63
10.00	10.00	Hot Springs, St. John's -----	10.00	10.00
25.00	25.00	Legerwood, Chapel of Rest -----	81.95	-----
10.00	-----	Lincolnton, St. Cyprian's -----	18.33	-----
10.00	10.00	Lincoln, Woodside, Our Saviour -----	37.15	26.00
20.00	-----	Little Switzerland, Resurrection -----	30.50	-----
12.00	-----	Morganton, St. Mary's -----	60.12	49.58
10.00	10.00	Morganton, St. Stephen's -----	13.82	6.84
18.00	18.00	Murphy, Messiah -----	52.58	64.18
30.50	30.50	Rutherfordton, St. Gabriel's -----	85.99	-----
10.00	10.00	Saluda, Transfiguration -----	55.00	55.00
67.30	67.30	Shelby, The Redeemer -----	189.30	59.80
10.00	-----	Sylva, St. John's -----	115.94	-----
10.00	-----	Todd, St. Matthew's -----	8.25	-----
43.00	32.25	Valle Crucis, Holy Cross -----	133.96	243.27
12.00	-----	Asheville, Grace -----	17.70	-----
-----	-----	Blackstone, Mission -----	5.00	-----
10.00	-----	Cashiers, Good Shepherd -----	10.00	-----
10.00	-----	Cherokee, St. Francis of Assisi -----	13.00	3.26
-----	-----	Edneyville, St. Peter's -----	-----	-----
-----	-----	Lincolnton, St. Paul's -----	-----	-----
-----	-----	Lincolnton, St. Stephen's -----	-----	-----
12.00	-----	Linville, All Saints -----	24.40	-----
-----	-----	Morganton, St. Elizabeth's -----	-----	-----
12.00	12.00	Penland, Good Shepherd -----	30.55	83.20
6.00	-----	Rutherfordton, Missions -----	8.00	-----
10.00	10.00	Tryon, Good Shepherd -----	11.00	11.00
12.00	12.00	Upward, St. John Baptist -----	61.00	-----
6.00	-----	Valle Crucis, St. John Baptist -----	10.00	-----
\$ 895.69	\$ 411.54	TOTAL -----	\$ 2,358.57	\$ 932.48
\$5,855.38	\$1,975.34	TOTAL -----	\$16,301.25	\$ 6,645.80

# WOMAN'S AUXILIARY NEWS

## WOMAN'S AUXILIARY CONFERENCE CANCELLED

A Conference scheduled to be held at Valle Crucis during the week of August 2nd has been cancelled due to the uncertain conditions prevailing during the polio epidemic. There seems to be little likelihood that conditions will be any better than at present, so it was deemed wise to postpone the conference until another year. Miss Lucy Fletcher, Diocesan President, is hopeful that next year the plan for having such a diocesan-wide conference can be carried through.

## ANNUAL MEETING

Attendance at the twenty-sixth annual meeting of the Woman's Auxiliary of our Diocese, held at the Chapel of the Transfiguration, Kanuga Lake, Hendersonville, June 3 and 4, included representatives from 32 branches (92 delegates), several clergy, the speakers, the mission workers, and the visitors. Highlighting the meeting was the address by Bishop John Bently, former Bishop of Alaska, and at present a vice-president of the National Council. He told of the tremendous task our Church is performing in the different parts of the world. A few highlights of his excellent address are as follows: There are three missionary districts in China, Anking, Hankow, and Shanghai. The Chinese Church is independent with ten dioceses. We still assist there with teachers and medical leaders. The work in the Philippines is steadily growing and needs much from us. The church in Mexico is going through difficult times, but Bishop Salinas is carrying on in a noble way. The Rt. Rev. Louis Melcher is the new Bishop-coadjutor of Brazil. As Bentley spoke of the work in Puerto Rico, Liberia, and Alaska, we felt an especial pride and joy because Bishop Boynton was formerly at Christ School, Bishop Harris is from North Carolina, and Bishop Gordon, the newly consecrated Bishop of Alaska, is also from North Carolina. "Interest comes through

knowledge", Bishop Bentley reminded us. "Three things only are placed on the altars of our churches: the Holy Communion, the Prayer Book, and Offerings. Go ye into all the world".

The report of our President, Miss Lucy Fletcher, showed that great progress had been made during the past year by the woman's auxiliary in Western North Carolina. The reports of all the Diocesan Officers, showed not only great progress in their respective fields, but untiring work on their part for the spreading of Christ's Kingdom. One way in which our auxiliary is helping to spread Christ's Kingdom, was the unanimous vote to send \$250 to aid an overseas mission. It was voted to give the "Advance Fund" to the Negro Church in Morganton.

The following officers were elected:

Director of the Third District: Mrs. Donnell Van Noppen

Director of the Fourth District: Mrs. R. L. Sanborn.

Chairman of Missions: Mrs. Mark Dickerson.

Chairman of Supply: Mrs. Alex Menzies.

Chairman of Promotion: Mrs. Robert B. Campbell.

We left the annual meeting at lovely Lake Kanuga with the words of our President, Miss Fletcher, foremost in our thoughts: "We must give of ourselves, and our prayers, as well as our gifts, if we are to spread Christ's Kingdom on earth."

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THE HIGHLAND CHURCHMAN regrets that space did not allow for a complete list of the Auxiliary officers to be printed in this issue. It had been planned for a permanent masthead to be printed on the Auxiliary page.

All Auxiliary news should be sent to Mrs. R. B. Campbell, Hickory, N. C. News items should reach her in time to meet the deadline of the 20th of each month.

# **UNITED THANK OFFERING DIOCESE WESTERN NORTH CAROLINA**

**SPRING, 1948**

## **FIRST DISTRICT**

Asheville, Trinity	\$290.34
Asheville, Grace Mission	32.35
Asheville, Trinity Chapel	
Haw Creek	11.00
Asheville, Church of	
the Redeemer	27.00
Biltmore, All Souls	76.85
Canton, St. Andrews	32.50
Fletcher, Calvary	68.40
Franklin, St. Agnes	23.00
Highlands, Incarnation	16.60
Murphy, Messiah	27.70
Cherokee, St. Francis	6.00
Waynesville, Grace	18.67

## **SECOND DISTRICT**

Bat Cave, Transfiguration	
Brevard, St. Phillips,	
Woman's Auxiliary	38.77
Brevard, St. Philips,	
St. Anne's Guild	32.10
Edneyville, St. James	6.10
Saluda, Transfiguration	5.00
Tryon, Holy Cross	319.42

## **THIRD DISTRICT**

Beaver Creek, St. Mary's	4.00
Boone, St. Luke's	8.73
Hickory, Ascension	85.84
Legerwood, Chapel of Rest	13.00
Lenoir, St. James	50.00
Marion, St. John's	41.50
Morganton, Grace	132.36
Morganton, St. Mary's	8.22
Valle Crucis, Holy Cross	22.35
Wilkesboro, St. Paul's	12.50

## **FOURTH DISTRICT**

Bessemer City, St. Andrews	10.25
Gastonia, St. Mark's	101.55
High Shoals, St. John's	7.00
Lincolnton, St. Luke's	15.00
Lincolnton, Church of Our Savior	5.25
Rutherfordton, St. Francis	108.92
Shelby, Church of the Redeemer	35.42
St. Luke's, Chunn's Cove	13.40

## **FIFTH DISTRICT**

Asheville, St. Matthias	19.15
Franklin, St. Cyprian's	16.00
Morganton, St. Stephen's	3.00
Rutherfordton, St. Gabriel's	5.00
Tryon, Good Shepherd	1.75
Individuals	24.53

**TOTAL** \$1,860.89

Respectfully submitted,  
Elizabeth C. Wise,  
Treasurer  
United Thank Offering.

## **EXECUTIVE COUNCIL MEETS AT VALLE CRUCIS**

The Executive Council had its regular summer meeting at Valle Crucis where it was the guest of the Rural Church Institute.

## **WOMAN'S AUXILIARY DIOCESAN OFFICERS**

President: Miss Lucy T. Fletcher, 165 Macon Ave., Asheville.

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Secretary Supply: Mrs. Alex Menzies, 12 Street, Hickory.

Secretary Missions: Mrs. Mark Dickerson, Rutherfordton.

Secretary of Promotion: Mrs. Robert B. Campbell, Box 577, Hickory.

## **AUXILIARY NEWS FLASHES**

The Woman's Auxiliary of the Church of the Holy Cross, Tryon, held a successful birthday Thank Offering Meeting, June 14th, at the home of Mrs. Margaret Range. The offering amounted to \$31.37.

## **McKEOWN TO LEAVE BOONE FIELD**

The Rev. James McKeown, priest-in-charge of St. Luke's, Boon, and the allied churches in Ashe County, has accepted a call to All Saints' Church, Camerno, in the Diocese of Texas. Fr. McKeown will assume his new work on the first of September. He and Mrs. McKeown and their two children will leave during the middle of August, going to Texas by way of Florida, their native state.

Fr. McKeown came to Boon in June, 1946, immediately after his advancement to the priesthood. This was his first charge. Following his graduation from the seminary at Sewanee, he took a year's graduate study in rural work at Drew Seminary, Madison, N. J. While still in seminary, he had spent one summer in charge of the work at Murphy. In addition to his work in Boone and Ashe County, he was chaplain to Episcopal students at Appalachian State Teachers College, Boone, Field Secretary for the Rural Church Institute at Valle Crucis, and a Trustee of the University of the South.

## **MRS. MCKINSEY NO LONGER AT GLENDALE**

Mrs. Eloise McKinsey, formerly the mission worker at Holy Trinity, Glendale Springs, has not been there for nearly a year. She has requested THE HIGHLAND CHURCHMAN to make this announcement in order to avoid the present influx of mail and packages that concern the mission at Glendale. Mrs. McKinsey spent last winter taking additional work at Philadelphia Divinity School and is now doing mission work in Michigan.

## **ST. JAMES CHURCH, LENOIR**

*By The Rev. J. B. Sill*

As in the case of St. Luke's, Lincoln-ton, we find the ministry of "Parton" Miller connected with the beginnings of St. James', Lenoir. Although ordained to the Lutheran ministry, he always maintained that he belonged to the American Episcopal Church. Having

come from England, he was a loyal member of the Church of England, and as a layman before his Lutheran ordination, he organized others at White Haven who had belonged to the English Church. We had no Bishop in North Carolina in those days. From 1811-1821 we find Parson Miller having charge of St. Andrew's Chapel, five miles from Lenoir, which was admitted into union with the Diocese of North Carolina in 1823. At the convention of the diocese in 1821, Parson Miller was ordained to the priesthood by Bishop Moore of Virginia. He was then 60 years old. He built up a large rural parish at St. Andrews before his death in 1834.

It seemed best in 1841, Lenoir having become a county seat, to move St. Andrew's congregation there. The Rev. E. M. Forbes was missionary in charge, services being held in the Court House once a month. A church was built in 1846 on land given by E. P. Miller, a son of Parson Miller. The original church, which was a frame building, has given place to the present structure. The church was consecrated in 1853. The Church at Lenoir can be considered the oldest formed congregation in the Diocese, changing its name from St. Andrew's to St. James.

Two rectors of the early days of St. James Church were well known beyond the parochial limits, The Rev. H. H. Prout from 1851 to 1858, and The Rev. J. A. Oertel from 1869 to 1874. Mr. Prout had been connected with the school and missionary work at Valle Crucis for several years. He started a day school for children and continued his missionary interests in forming a congregation and building a log chapel in the Happy Valley section. This was the beginning of the growth of the Church as it now appears in the well known Patterson School.

The other well known rector in the early days, The Rev. Johannes A. Oertel, was a celebrated artist. He came to the parish as a deacon, and was made priest there in 1871. He had come to the United States from Bavaria in 1848,



first settling in New Jersey. His best known painting is "The Rock of Ages", picturing a woman hanging to a cross in the midst of waves of the sea. Four large paintings representing "The Redemption of Mankind" which he completed towards the end of his life, are hung in the chapel at the University of the South, Sewanee, Tenn. They are given the title, "A Vision Realized" in the story of his life by his son. Being also a wood carver, there is a reredos of his at St. James which is well worth seeing. The central panel has a painting of Our Saviour administering to communicants. Dr. Oertel was a faithful pastor. He served two mission churches near Lenoir, one the Chapel of Peace, and with his wife and others started day schools for children.

### **BISHOPS WELCOMED AT LAMBETH, ENGLAND**

A formal reception held in Canterbury Cathedral on July 1st brought Anglican bishops from all over the world together to confer on the problems which face the Church today. On the spot marking the arrival of St. Augustine to England 1,400 years ago, and seated in the chair of St. Augustine before the high altar, the Archbishop of Canterbury welcomed the visiting bishops by saying that the Anglican Communion today is visibly "no longer English or British, or Anglo-Saxon". Speaking of the unity which holds this Communion together in the nations of the world, he continued: "In what we call the Anglican tradition we have a trust which God commits to us. That tradition first acquired its distinctive form here after the days of the Reformation; and though now it is shared by all the Churches of our Communion, its three distinguishing marks remain the same. We hold the faith and order, doctrine and worship, which from the beginning was the possession of the undivided Church.

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## 1400 TO ATTEND AMSTERDAM ASSEMBLY OF CHURCHES

One hundred and forty-two churches in 42 countries will be represented at the first constituent assembly of the World Council of Churches to be held August 22-September 5 in Amsterdam. Among them is the Episcopal Church which will be represented by Presiding Bishop Henry Knox Sherrill, Bishop Angus Dun of the Diocese of Washington, the Very Rev. William H. Nes, dean of the Nashotah House, and Charles P. Taft, president of the Federal Council of Churches.

Churches in Japan, Siam and Formosa are among the latest to accept membership in the World Council and Russia is the only major nation still unrepresented. The Russian Orthodox Church has been invited to membership but no final decision has yet been taken by the Moscow Patriarchate nor has a definite acceptance been received from the Orthodox Churches in Bulgaria, Yugoslavia

or Roumania. The Roman Catholic Church has indicated it will send observers.

Approximately 1,400 persons are expected to attend the conference, including 450 delegates; 350 alternate delegates; 100 youth delegates and 500 consultants, accredited visitors, press representatives and observers.

This first meeting of the World Council of Churches comes after many years of preparation. As early as 1854 there have been notable gatherings of worldwide Christian missionary groups. The Edinburgh World Missionary Conference held in 1910 marked the first time that the meetings were attended by officially appointed delegates. This conference, by establishing a continuation committee (which later became the International Missionary Council) and by giving impetus to the creation of the Committee on Life and Work of the Churches, and the World Conference on Faith and Order laid the groundwork for the establishment of the World Council.

Following the first world war numerous smaller conferences were held by each of the two groups, Life and Work, and Faith and Order, leading to a meeting in 1938 at Utrecht, Holland, when a group representing the two groups as well as other ecumenical Christian movements such as the International Missionary Council, the World's Student Christian Federation, the Young Men's Christian Association, and the Young Women's Christian Association, drafted a constitution for the proposed World Council of Churches. The second world war, of course, delayed further action on a world wide basis although various sectional meetings were held.

In the 10 years since the Utrecht meeting, however, 142 churches have voted in their ecclesiastical bodies to enter the proposed World Council. This number includes practically all the Anglican Churches, a number of Eastern Orthodox Churches, all but two or three of the largest Protestant communions and many churches of Asia, Africa, Latin America and the Pacific islands.

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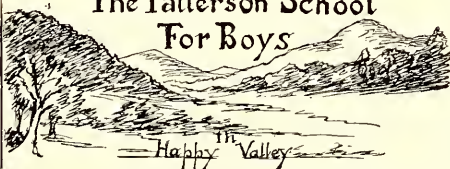
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## A NECESSARY CAMPAIGN

It must sometimes seem to Churchmen of the Diocese that one campaign for funds follows hard upon another; and yet, although there have been many demands made on the generosity of our diocesan membership, these calls have been for causes outside our borders. It has been many years since the Diocese has had to resort to special appeals for aid in carrying on its work. Now we are faced with a situation which can be met only by everyone participating in a necessary campaign to raise \$50,000.

With the election of a bishop it became apparent that a smaller, more modern home would have to be provided. Forced to take action within a limited time, the Trustees succeeded in finding an attractive, well-constructed house at 46 Macon Avenue in Asheville. The purchase price and cost of repairs has brought the total needed to \$27,000.

The campaign that is now going on has two phases: the first is to provide enough money to pay for the episcopal residence and the second is to provide an increase to

the Episcopal Endowment Fund. This Endowment Fund is designed to produce income from which the Bishop's salary is paid. At present the Fund actually produces only about \$2,000 per year, and it has been necessary to assess the parishes and missions rather heavily to make up the difference.

Mr. A. B. Stoney, Co-Chairman for the campaign committee in the Convocation of Morganton, wrote to each church in the Convocation:

"If each communicant in our Diocese gives an average of \$11.00 we will raise \$50,050.00. Therefore, we are using the \$11.00 each as a figure to strive for, knowing that many can and will want to give more and that many will not be able to give this amount. We hope and pray that this sum for our Bishop's residence and endowment will be contributed to by all. We want all to have a share no matter how small or how large each gift may be. Let us share this responsibility together."

A good start has been made; but at the present juncture it is only a start. In another place in THE HIGHLAND CHURCHMAN we print a list of the parishes and missions from which contributions have come. No individual donor is mentioned, but credit is given to his church. This list shows that at presstime there is a sum of \$17,855.70 pledged or given to the residence and endowment campaign. Surely the generosity that has been manifest in the past three years, when we were called upon to give to Reconstruction Advance and to the Fund for World Relief, will again be shown in the response to this call from within our household.

Prior to his acceptance every effort was made to prove to Bishop Henry that he would be coming to a Diocese which would uphold his hand and work with him to the strengthening of God's work. Having convinced him that Western North Carolina was a Diocese worthy of asking him to consecrate the rest of his

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## The Rev. Matthew George Henry Consecrated Bishop

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The Rev. Matthew George Henry was consecrated bishop of the diocese of Western North Carolina in an impressive ceremony at Trinity Episcopal Church, the third bishop of the diocese and the first consecrated in Asheville.

The Rt. Rev. Henry St. George Tucker, lately presiding Bishop of the Episcopal Church in the United States, consecrated the new Bishop, assisted by the Rt. Rev. Henry Disbrow Phillips, D. D., Bishop of Southwestern Virginia, and the Rt. Rev. Thomas Neely Carruthers, D. D., Bishop of South Carolina.

The procession entered the Church as the assembly sang "Ye Watchers and Ye Holy Ones," and "The Church's One Foundation," proceeding in four groups each led by a crucifer.

The flag bearers and the choir were in the first group. In the second were the Rev. Gale Dudley Webbe, rector of St. Mary's Church, as assistant master of ceremonies, and lay members of the standing committee, the executive council, trustees of the diocese, and the vestry of Christ Church, Charlotte. Bishop Henry came to Asheville from Christ Church.

In the third group came representatives of other communions and the clergy of the diocese and visiting clergy.

Representing other communions in the diocese were the Rev. J. White Iddings, pastor of St. Mark's Lutheran Church, the Rev. W. Perry Crouch, D. D., pastor of the First Baptist Church, and the Rev. C. Grier Davis, D. D., pastor of the First Presbyterian Church.

The last group included the Rev. John Walter Tuton, rector of Trinity and master of ceremonies; the readers of testimonials—the Rev. James P. Burke of St. James, Hendersonville, Kingsland Van Winkle, the Rev. Ralph K. Webster, of St. Francis', Rutherfordton, the Rev. Mark Jenkins, of Calvary, Fletcher, and the Rt. Rev. John James Gravatt, D. D., Bishop of Upper South Carolina; the Rev. Charles Grubbs Leavell as deputy registrar; the Rev. Boston McGee Lackey, St. James', Lenoir, and the Rev. Wilbur Cleon Leach, Church of the Holy Cross, Valle Crucis, as attending presbyters; Bishop-elect Henry; the attending Bishops; the Rt. Rev. Charles Blayney Colmore, D. D., retired Bishop of Puerto Rico, and the Rt. Rev. Henry Wright, D. D., Bishop of East Carolina as presenting Bishops; the co-consecrators and the consecrator.

Bishop Tucker began the service for ordaining a Bishop with the service of Holy Communion according to the Book of Common Prayer. The epistle was read by the Rt. Rev. Charles Colcock Jones Carpenter, D. D., Bishop of Alabama. The gospel was read by Bishop Phillips.

The sermon, one of instruction and inspiration for the Bishop-elect, was preached by the Rt. Rev. Edwin Anderson Penick, D. D., Bishop of North Carolina, who concluded with a personal charge to Bishop-elect Henry.

Following the sermon, Bishop Colmore and Bishop Wright presented Bishop-elect Henry for consecration, and the testimonials were presented.

Mr. Burke presented evidence of election; Mr. Van Winkle, chancellor of the diocese and senior warden of All Souls, presented the canonical testimonial; Mr. Webster presented evidence of ordinations; Mr. Jenkins presented the consents of the standing committees, and Bishop Gravatt presented the consents of the bishops.

In a firm, strong voice, Bishop Henry made the promise of conformity to the doctrine, discipline, and worship of the Church:

"In the Name of God, Amen, I, Matthew George Henry, chosen Bishop of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Western North Carolina, do promise conformity and obedience to the doctrine, discipline and worship of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America. So help me God, through Jesus Christ."

The litany for ordination was said by the Rt. Rev. George Purnell Gunn, D. D., Bishop-coadjutor of the Diocese of Southern Virginia.

Then, the laying on of hands took place, and the young clergyman was consecrated as the third Bishop of the Diocese of Western North Carolina.

The service of Holy Communion followed, with the Bishops, the members of the new Bishop's family, the clergy and lay members in the procession being communicated.

The choir of Trinity Church was augmented by the choir of All Souls Episcopal Church and Kenilworth and First Presbyterian Churches. Forrest Wood of St. Mary's and Thomas B. Hutchins of Christ Church, Charlotte, were servers. Mrs. Edwin A. Heers, organist and choir director of Trinity and Josef Privette organist and choir director of All Souls, directed the music.

The procession retired as the assembly sang "The Son of God Goes Forth to War" and "Lead On, O King Eternal."

The Rev. Isaac Northup, rector of All Souls Church, served as commentator for the services, which were broadcast over radio station WWNC, WLOS. and WSKY here, and over WCIV, Charlotte.

The flowers banked on the altar were in memory of the Rt. Rev. Junius M. Horner, D. D., Bishop of the missionary district of North Carolina, first Bishop of Western North Carolina.

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## **A NECESSARY CAMPAIGN**

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life to it, we must grasp this first signal opportunity to show him that he has made the right choice under God.

### **CORRECTION**

St. James, Hendersonville, Auxiliary's UTO offering was \$65.30. This will correct an omission.

### **OCTOBER ISSUE LATE**

The **HIGHLAND CHURCHMAN** is late this month due to holding all copy until news and pictures of the consecration of Bishop Henry could be gathered.

Just suppose the Lord should make some people as poor as they say they are when asked to help finance His program.

## **TEACHING MISSION AT ST. MARY'S**

The Rev. Robert Loosemore, S.S.J.E., from the Cowley Fathers' monastery at Bracebridge, Ontario, conducted a mission at St. Mary's Church, Asheville. The mission was conducted during the week of Oct. 3rd to 10th, and was very well attended. Fr. Loosemore is well known to many in the diocese, having conducted two missions at Valle Crucis as well as having been chaplain at Kanuga during two young peoples' conferences.

On Monday, Oct. 4th, the missionary and the rector, the Rev. Gale D. Webbe, blessed the new statue of St. Francis of Assisi which has been executed for the parish.



## Residence and Endowment Fund Campaign Under Way

By action of the Executive Council and the Department of Finance, a campaign to raise \$50,000 has been started in the Diocese. This campaign, under the leadership of Mr. V. Jordan Brown, is designed to raised \$27,000 for the purchase of the episcopal residence and at least \$23,000 to be added to the Episcopal Endowment Fund. In the short time the effort has been under way, \$17,855.70 has been either given or pledged. Every parish and mission in the Diocese is to be reached as quickly as possible with the information that the campaign has started and opportunity will be given to every member to make a contribution.

At first it was planned to call for only enough to purchase the bishop's residence: but when it was brought to the attention of diocesan officials that the present Endowment Fund income produces only \$2,000 per year, it was decided to augment this fund as much as possible.

A house has already been purchased at 46 Macon Avenue, and Bishop Henry and his family are in residence. The Trustees of the Diocese, who had charge of finding a house, were fortunate in securing valuable property. The house is brick, situated on a spacious plot: behind it is a good sized log cabin that will be readily adapted for use as an office for the bishop. It is most easily reached by following Charlotte Street until you see the outdoor crucifix at St. Mary's Church, at which point you turn right on to Macon Avenue.

If the goal of \$50,000 or more is reached, the addition to the Endowment Fund will augment the income so that there need not be such a heavy demand on the assessments of each parish and mission. However, reductions in assessments can come only by the Endowment Fund being swelled quite considerably.

Just suppose all Christians should really live consistently and prove by their lives that they really loved the Lord.

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### NEW LIGHTS DEDICATED AT TRINITY

On Sunday, Oct. 10th, Bishop Henry dedicated the new lights which have been installed in Trinity Church, Asheville. Bishop Henry was also the preacher at the service.

The lights are a memorial to the Rt. Rev. Junius M. Horner, First Bishop of the Diocese, and were given by Mr. and Mrs. G. F. Butterworth of New York City. Mrs. Butterworth is the daughter of the late Bishop Horner.

### NEW DIRECTOR OF RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Miss Patricia Page, a graduate of Wyndham House, New York City, and for the past two years a Mission worker at Bessemer City, N. C., has become Director of Religious Education in St. Luke's Parish, Salisbury.



*Part of the Procession entering Trinity Church*

## **LUNCHEON FOLLOWS CONSECRATION**

Following the service of consecration, a luncheon honoring Bishop Henry and Mrs. Henry was held at the Battery Park Hotel. At this luncheon Bishop Penick was toastmaster and made haste to point out that his sermon text from Ezekiel 37 was not intended to sound like calling the Diocese a valley of dry bones. Bishop Penick pointed out that he had

ordained Bishop Henry to the diaconate and priesthood, had solemnized his marriage and now had had the privilege of taking part in his consecration.

At the luncheon, some of the gifts to the new bishop were formally presented. His ring was given by the men of Christ Church, Charlotte, the pectoral cross by the women of the church, his vestments were a gift from the clergy of the Diocese of North Carolina, and a vestment case





*The Laying on of Hands*

and a check were given by the Diocesan Auxiliary of Western North Carolina.

A pastoral staff made of native hardwoods was the gift of the Young Churchmen of the Diocese. This staff was made by Archdeacon Kennedy who would not take any pay for his work. Archdeacon Kennedy had said that he needed a white stole, having worn out one in fifty years. So Bishop Henry presented the Archdeacon with his own stole as a gift from the young people of the diocese.

### **JAMES MICHAEL SALLEY**

On Thursday, June 3rd, funeral rites for James Michael Salley were conducted from St. Luke's Church, Lincolnton. The Rt. Rev. R. E. Gribbin, a close personal friend was in charge. Interment was in Orangeburg, S. C., Mr. Salley's native home. He had lived in Lincolnton where he was a faithful member of St. Luke's Church for twenty-six years.

## **HOLY CROSS, TRYON, MAKES IMPROVEMENTS**

Extensive improvements have been made in the Parish House during the summer months and all Parish organizations will begin their Fall work with up-to-date facilities. The kitchen has been enlarged and equipped with electric stoves, & refrigerator, modern cabinets, work tables and serving table.

The Rector's Study has a vesting room and lavatory added; the Choir now has a vesting room for men and one for women instead of vesting in a narrow hallway as heretofore. There are now five new rooms for Sunday School, ample and convenient storage space, a new heating system which heats the whole Parish House, and everything is protected by being re-roofed. A fire escape from the main hall has also been added.

All these things have been made possible by the generosity and foresight of all members of the church who have made gifts from one dollar to ten thousand, according to their means.

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## **NEWS FLASHES**

The Woman's Auxiliary of the Church of the Transfiguration Saluda gave a silver tea at the Parish house in July. Miss Thelma Garcia, a visiting nurse from Polk County gave a talk, and a part of the offering was given to her for her work.

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The Woman's Auxiliary of the Church of the Ascension Hickory, entertained the members of the Church Choir with a party at the Rectory in July.

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### AUXILIARY ADVANCE WORK PROJECT

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St. Stephen's is a mission established in 1891 for the colored people of Morganton. In spite of its poor location (almost directly behind Grace Church) it has ministered rather well to the negro people, at one time running a day school, sending three men into Holy Orders from among its communicants, one nurse, many school teachers, and a number of other Christian citizens. At present there are 22 communicants, and an average attendance at services of over 15 persons. Most of the 22 members are unusually faithful, and are well-trained Churchmen.

About a year ago opportunity came to sell the present lot for \$8,100.00 because of its semi-business location in town. A lot located at an intersection of two improved streets on the edge of the largest negro section of town was purchased for \$1,500.00. It was felt that with some help assured us from the National Council the remainder of the money would be sufficient to erect a new St. Stephen's. When work-drawings were made, calling for a painted cinder block construction 41 by 38 feet, and the contractors had bid, it was found that \$14,164.25 was needed. National Council's grant is a welcome \$3,000.00 but no more. The Trustees of the diocese have voted \$1,800.00 from proceeds from the Mary E. Embury Fund. A request for a donation is being sent the American Church Building Fund, and the old church will bring \$200 or perhaps a little more. St. Stephen's congregation is pledging itself to raise \$400 and more if possible in order to stucco the outside walls. Grace Church is having a special offering in addition to its Auxiliary Advance Work participation. Thus St.

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We believe St. Stephen's will thrive in its new location, close to the people it is meant to serve. The National Secretary for Negro Work, the Rev. Tollie Caution, on his visit to Morganton of more than a week in 1947, pointed out the necessity of moving to a more suitable location before it could be expected that our negro work in Morganton would really grow. We believe this level-headed move, plus a new church more suitable to varied activities, will make possible and reasonable a doubling of the congregation within the next five years. As a Diocesan mission St. Stephen's has a claim upon the Diocese. Our Lord Jesus Christ has

a claim upon you to aid Him in the extension of His Kingdom in and through His Church.

The National Executive Board of the Woman's Auxiliary urges that every woman pause at noon day and offer Prayer for Peace and Divine Guidance of the Nation's leaders.

## **DIOCESAN NEWS** **MORGANTON CONVOCATION—**

*Patterson School* this fall has the highest enrollment in the history of the school since its organization as a junior-senior high school. With a normal capacity of 62, there are 64 students, coming from Boston to Florida along the Eastern seaboard, and from as far west as Gary, Indiana. Although there are more from North Carolina than from any other single state, the majority of the student body this year is from outside North Carolina, with largest out-of-state delegations from Virginia, Georgia, and Florida.

Mr. George F. Wiese, Superintendent of the school, will teach Bible and hold the Sunday morning services both for the student body and the neighborhood in Happy Valley. Assistant Superintendent, Mr. Jesse C. Hawkins is teaching industrial arts and chemistry. Mr. Alfred Whipple, Principal, teaches English and French. Mr. Grissom Miller's subjects are history, mathematics, and athletics; Miss Frances Chester teaches typing; Mr. Alvin C. Fowler's subjects are agriculture, forestry, and biology; Mr. O. E. Snyder teaches mathematics, Latin, and general science; Mr. Don Leavitt teaches history, athletics, and is assistant in the shop. Mrs. O. E. Snyder has the Junior High grades. The Rev. Robert B. Campbell, Rector of Ascension, Hickory, and the Rev. C. G. Leavell, Rector of Grace Church, Morganton, come once a month on Fridays to celebrate Holy Communion.

Repairs and renovation are under way now on Gard Hall for the expanded Industrial Arts Department with which the National Council is assisting.

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*St. James' Lenoir*, is getting its Church School under way this fall with Mr. Mel F. Smith, Jr., Superintendent and around forty pupils enrolled. The Woman's Auxiliary started off their fall meetings with a buffet supper at the home of Mrs. W. T. Carpenter, with Mrs. W. S. Downs and Mrs. W. G. Byerly co-hostesses. Twenty women attended, and plans for fall activities were made.

A new walnut chest, cedar-lined, designed by Mr. Mel F. Smith, Jr., was recently given *St. James*. It was made by Broyhill Factories and is being used for communion vessels and altar linens.

### WORK AMONG WOMEN ABROAD

At the Central Council for Women's Church Work held in London in July, Mrs. Stuart, wife of the Bishop of Uganda said that the influence of women was felt in almost every section of spiritual life in Uganda. An instance of their strength was seen when the Uganda Parliament passed a marriage law which

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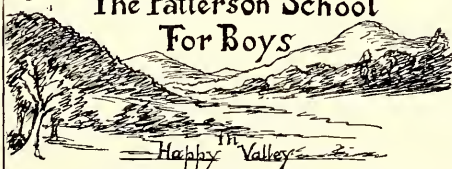
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—Church Times London July 30.

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## Every Member Canvass

By way of introduction, may we pre-suppose that every reader has an acquaintance with the Every Member Canvass. It is now generally established in each parish and mission of the Episcopal Church, but it meets with varying degree of success. In some places it seems to be especially valuable and in others it does not. It is quite easy in a place where it does not succeed to feel that no method of its kind will succeed, and frequently parishes and missions that could be strong are instead pervaded by a sense of despair and futility. The answer to the problem may be that the Canvass has neither been adequately understood or else the procedures leading up to it have been inadequate. By and large, it is generally thought to be a financial effort on the part of churches and missions and its great meaning is lost sight of. It might be of value to indicate its meaning or under-lying philosophy at the very outset.

It appears to us that the Every Mem-

ber Canvass is in fact an expression of Christian theology. It is one of the basic Christian ideas that God strives to bring the world into a loving response to Himself. The Christian doctrine of the Incarnation is that God came to earth, that He took human flesh upon Himself, to the end that men might unite their lives with Him in His great purpose in History. In a very real sense it might be said that the Every Member Canvass is an extension of this. It assumes that man does not easily or readily relate his life, his powers, his will and his possessions to God Himself. Thus, the Canvass is an opportunity to share in God's purpose. It is our opportunity to relate what we have and what we are to the God who made us and sustains us.

It is surely a reasonable plan. It recognizes that man dwells in a world of matter. It admits that spirit and matter are interwoven. Its great value lies in its insistence that God has a plan and a purpose for us that cannot be achieved by spasmodic acts of generosity, but rather His plan calls for regular giving, that the program of the Church, not only in the local parish, but throughout the world, can be planned strategically and carried out effectively. Without budgets, no missionaries could be sent forth in our modern world. No Christian hospitals could do their work. No teachers could strive to bring insight and growing convictions. The Canvass alone makes it possible for extensive plans and well thought-out programs to be made for the life and work of the church.

We now come to the place where we should consider the methods of the Canvass. It is true, I expect, that no one Canvass system will work effectively in every parish and mission. That is no reason, however, to suppose that it cannot be modified or enlarged to fit the circumstances of various places. There is, however, a minimum plan of the Every Member Canvass which could be used in every place. Let us observe such a minimum procedure.

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## The Bishop's Message

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November and December are the months in which most of the parishes and missions of the diocese conduct their Every Member Canvasses. To some this canvass is just another one of those numerous campaigns to raise money. We do try to raise money, but more than that, it is a time for every member of our Church to take an inventory of what he or she is doing with life.

We have our Lord's command to go unto the ends of the world, telling men of His act in the redemption of the world. You who have been made members of His Church through baptism, have been made His soldiers and servants until your life's end. Yet too many feel you are held down in His order to go to the ends of the world. You are tied down by the business that you run. You are tied down by the children or the housekeeping. You are tied down by your own youth, or by your physical infirmity, and that keeps you from striking out unto the ends of the world to carry His message of redemption.

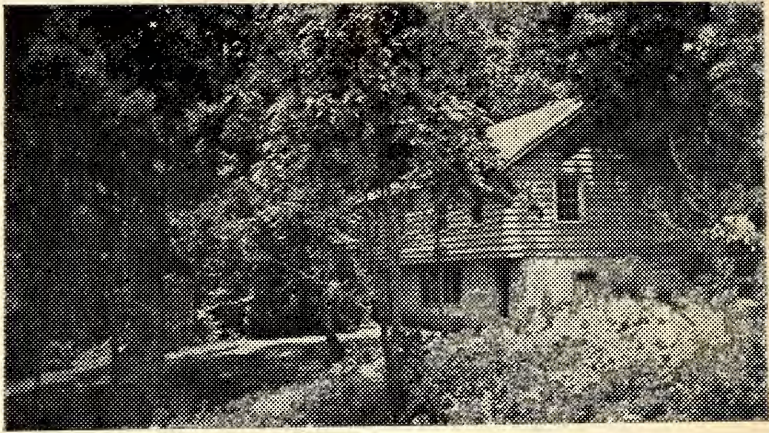
The Church has provided the means whereby you can give of your life and time even unto the ends of the world. It is through this Every Member Canvass. What you give in money goes to the ends of the world. It is spent here at home in our own diocesan program, and it is spent in Alaska, the Philippines, Africa, South America, China and Japan, the islands of the seas . . . yes, throughout the world. That is why you are asked to give money, so that the Church may spread throughout the world.

I said above that it gave you a chance to take an inventory of what you are doing with your life. Money is part of your life. It is given in return for so many minutes of your labor. Those minutes and hours you spend in working are gone, and that much of your life here on this earth is gone. How then is your life spent? Does it all go for food and clothing? Does it all go for pleasure? Are you wasting your life in the way that you spend the money you receive in return for your hours of labor? I ask each of you to set down for yourself an inventory of how you spend your life.

For convenience, let us say that you earn forty dollars a week. That represents what someone is paying you for your life of labor. How much do you need to feed and clothe yourself? How much do you offer to the god of pleasure (movies, vacations, football games)? How much do you offer to the god of luxury (tobacco, cosmetics, furs, or any non-essential)? Now, ask yourself how much you offer to God the Father Almighty who has made you and all the world, who has sent His Only Begotten Son into the world that through Him all men might be saved, who has come in the Holy Spirit to strengthen and guide all men in the Church to all truth. Is it only a dollar a week? That means that you give to God of yourself one hour. What are you doing with your life?

Take your inventory and see how you spend your life. See what is important in the way you are now spending your life, and so change it that you can obey the command you have received from Christ Our Saviour.





## Cartoogechaye Has Its Own Community Center

This is the story of a dream that came true.

Rather, it is the story of how the dreamer made it come true; for few dreams come true of themselves.

It was a highly impractical dream; there was little or nothing to give it substance. A strictly practical man, in fact, would have dismissed the whole idea as impossible. A strictly practical man would have said:

"You don't build things without money, lots of money; and certainly not in these times. A very nice dream", a strictly practical man would have concluded, "but it just can't happen."

Out of a dream has grown a church, a community center, the beginnings of a clinic, a playground, and a movement to preserve and revive the hand skills that in other days here wrought beautifully and well.

From the wrought iron latches on the doors to the tiny organ, St. John's church is unusual, and other-worldly. Finished in white pine paneling, it is gently lit in the daytime by the sunshine that filters through the surrounding trees and then through the stained glass windows, the gift of friends as a memorial to their son. At night, the illumination of electric current is softened by shades made of two layers of parchment paper, between which are ferns and herbs gath-

ered nearby. The light sconces were made and contributed by E. S. Purdom, and Miss Frances Barr made the shades.

The baptismal font and the bishop's chair came from the old St. John's. T. J. Johnson, Jr., grandson of the first rector (the Rev. J. A. Deal) made the cross, which originally was the processional cross, and the base was made by James Ordway, who also finished the lectern, the top of which is the same as that in the old church. The altar is from an abandoned church at Rainbow Springs. Outside, in a bell tower, is the same bell that summoned Cartoogechaye folk of a century ago to service.

In St. John's, which was completed about three years ago, Mr. Morgan holds services twice a month.

At Nonah Center, which is just across the Crawford road from Mr. Morgan's old home, stands a two-story building, combining a community center and a clinic; a craft house; and a children's playground.

The community building-health center are not quite complete. (When the funds run out, work stops; but it always starts again.)

On the first floor is the community center, a big room, one side centered by a huge fireplace, the other cut by windows that offer views of valley and mountains. Measuring 22 x 42, it is





**TINIEST CHURCH**—*This is St. John's Episcopal church, on Cartoogechaye, which stands on the site of the old church. A beautiful chapel, it is perhaps the smallest church in America.*

quite large enough to accommodate almost any community gathering Cartoogechaye will have in the foreseeable future.

The final unit at the Nonah Center is the craft house. An old box house, 20 x 26 feet, stood on the grounds, and it has been remodeled and today is in constant use for the teaching and practicing of handicrafts.

The craft work is directed by Miss Frances Barr, who has enthusiastic plans for its future. Incidental expenses to date have been paid through small gifts to the project, but as the program develops, it is hoped to open a shop in Franklin for the sale of the craft shop products. Pupils, young and old, pay for the materials they use; otherwise, they are learning without cost the hand skills at which their ancestors were expert.

## Mission Clergy to Receive Bonus Checks

Our faithful Diocesan mission clergy receive exceptionally low stipends. Why? Because Episcopalians generally continue to take little interest in missions, whether they are abroad or here at home. In our Diocese we have 34 organized missions, 17 unorganized missions, and only 18 parishes. Mission churches receive aid from Diocesan appropriations and from the National Church, while parishes are self-sustaining. But most of our missions have no resident priest because the Diocese can offer only small stipends, and also because there is a critical shortage of clergy at the present time. From a small balance in the Diocesan missionary fund, which has accumulated because several mission priests have left the Diocese during the past year, the Executive Council last week voted to give a bonus to the few remaining mission clergy in the Diocese. By earlier action the Council agreed to inaugurate a new plan whereby each mission priest will in the future receive a standard minimum stipend, which will represent a substantial increase in most missionary salaries. —*From "The Parish News", St. Francis Church, Rutherfordton.*

## BAPTIST PASTOR TO ENTER EPISCOPAL MINISTRY

San Antonio, Tex.—Dr. Charles H. Heimsath, Professor of Humanities in Trinity University here, a distinguished Baptist minister, was confirmed by Bishop Everett H. Jones, of the Episcopal Diocese of West Texas. Dr. Heimsath is preparing to enter the ministry of the Episcopal Church. He is the author of a number of books, among them, "The Genius of Public Worship," a recent Religious Book Club selection.

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## Views From the Morganton Convention

*By The Rev. C. G. Leavell, Convocation News Editor*

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For the Every-Member-Canvass Issue of the **HIGHLAND CHURCHMAN** your News Editor for the eastern Convocation of the Diocese would like to indulge in views rather than news. What difference will a good Canvass make to the Convocation of Morganton? And a good canvass is one that reaches everyone within the congregation, resulting in sacrificial pledging both to the local church and to the Church's Missionary Program.

The second, third, and fourth largest cities in the Diocese are located in the Morganton Convocation. Ascension, Hickory, must have a good canvass this year if it is to get under way on its plan for a new Church and Parish House on the grand new lot secured for same. St. Mark's, Gastonia, has plans for moving into extensive and expensive new property. In each case local demands must be met while at the same time these larger cities aid our Diocesan and General Church's missions. In the fourth largest city of the Diocese, Shelby, we have only a mission, the Redeemer. A good canvass here is essential for development of the strong parish we envision for the future and a building program on the recently-acquired lot, not to mention securing another resident clergyman.

The phenomenal financial gains at St. Andrew's, Bessemer City, must at least be maintained if the dream of a resident clergyman in this mill city is to be realized.

**ST. JOHN'S, MARION**, recently graduated itself from any help from the Diocese. With the increase of missionary salaries, however, it is now due to raise its clergyman's salary a bit. The increase in the Church School also demands at least some addition to the present property. This wide-awake and growing congregation will undoubtedly

meet its obligation and opportunities squarely.

**ST. FRANCIS', RUTHERFORD-TON**, seems also to be thriving at the present time, with a good confirmation class presented this summer, active parish organizations, and the opportunity to become an ever-stronger force in Diocesan life.

**ST. JAMES', LENOIR**, and **St. Paul's, Wilkesboro**, might well within the next year be able to cease sharing their Rector with each other so that a resident priest can be placed in the fast-growing Wilkesboro towns on the Yadkin. The trend is that way; the canvass may make it possible and with it reopening work at **All Saints', Ronda**.

**ST. LUKE'S, LINCOLN**, is obligated to an excellent canvass in support of the Rev. Richard John Lee who comes there in early December from a thriving larger parish in Hinsdale, Illinois. The strong little mission located just outside Lincolnton, **Our Saviour, Woodside**, also has this special responsibility and privilege. **St. Cyprian's, Lincolnton**, could show life and receive an able ministry thereby.

**ST. GABRIEL'S, RUTHERFORD-TON**, owes it both to God and the Rector of **St. Francis'** to have a good canvass. In time it can and will get a resident negro priest who can use **St. Gabriel's** as a center from which he can revive other negro work within our Convocation.

**ST. MARY'S, BLOWING ROCK**, and **All Saints', Linville**, surely have something more to offer than a summer ministry. A good Diocesan canvass might make it possible for these places to be open the year 'round, and still import summer preachers while their regular priest was on his vacation.

A good canvass at **St. John's, High**

Shoals, might well be a help towards getting a resident priest at Bessemer City who would work both places and relieve the Rector at Gastonia to concentrate on the work in that Southeastern metropolis of the Diocese.

An extra good Diocesan canvass might make available funds for a Chaplain long talked of for Patterson School and the Chapel of Rest. Some financial aid too might go to our under-paid Rector of Appalachian School, Penland, in charge of the Good Shepherd Mission there.

Another resident priest at St. Luke's, Boone, is a great need to be met inasmuch as he would serve the people in an active mountain town and also students from various parts of the State at Appalachian State Teachers' College. His rural ministry would also reach out to St. Mary's, Beaver Creek, and the people of Jefferson.

The ministry at Valle Crucis, where for years the Church has been doing an outstanding piece of rural work, simply cannot go on without a Diocesan canvass. Although Holy Cross Mission there has assumed more and more of its priest's salary, the work is such as will probably always demand some Diocesan aid where the Diocese can in turn take pride in a grand work it is helping in what is really the open country.

Beyond places mentioned, a most excellent canvass plus available clergy would make possible expansion of the Church in such places as Valdese, Newton-Conover, Cherryville, King's Mountain, Mt. Holly, and Old Fort. Certain it is that we have in our Convocation (and we hear similar things to the West of us) a glorious opportunity for the mission of the Church, the call of our Lord to evangelization, and to strengthen our living witness to Him.

## Annual Blast by a Bishop

In his diocesan paper, Bishop Stephen F. Bayne unburdens his soul in this fashion: "If you have any respect for the Bishop's blood pressure, PLEASE do not use the word 'Reverend' as a title. It is wrong. It is sinful. It is against Emily Post. It is ungrammatical. It is everything that is loathsome and horrible. 'Reverend' is an adjective, like 'Honorable' which is used to modify a noun—as 'The Reverend Mr. Brown,' or 'The Reverend John Brown.' It is NOT a title. It is ALWAYS prefixed by 'the.' It is NEVER used with the last name alone. Archbishops are 'The Most Reverend,'—that includes Bishop Sherrill in our books—Bishops are 'The Right Reverend,' Deans are 'The Very Reverend,' Archdeacons are 'The Venerable,' Parish priests—those peasants—are 'The Reverend.' End of annual blast on that subject."

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### LINCOLNTON TO GET NEW RECTOR

The Rev. Richard H. Lee has accepted the rectorship and will take up his new work at St. Luke's, Lincolnton, on December 5th. The Rev. Mr. Lee comes to the parish from Hinsdale, Illinois, where he has been the rector of a very successful parish for the past twenty-five years. In addition to the work at St. Luke's, Mr. Lee will also have charge of the rather extensive field around Lincolnton that ministers to white and colored rural congregations.

At the time the announcement was made of Mr. Lee's acceptance, it was also announced that the fruits of Mrs. J. M. Salley's labors have been realized with the installation of new carpet for the church. Some time ago Mrs. Salley began to work for money for new carpeting.



# WOMAN'S AUXILIARY

*By Lanthe Rush Campbell*

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Give me a good digestion, Lord, and also something to digest. Give me a healthy body, Lord, with sense to keep it at its best. Give me a healthy mind, good Lord, to keep the good and pure in sight; which seeing sin, is not appalled, but finds a way to set it right. Give me a mind that is not bored, that does not whimper, whine or sigh; don't let me worry overmuch about the fussy thing called I. Give me a sense of humor, Lord: give me the grace to see a joke; to get some happiness from life and pass it on to other folk. Amen.

The Fall Executive Board meeting of the Woman's Auxiliary of the Diocese met September 20th at Patterson School. The Rt. Rev. George Henry was celebrant at the Holy Communion, in the School Chapel. The Board meeting was held at the Wiese home, with Miss Lucy Fletcher presiding. It was decided at the meeting to bring Miss Avis Harvey of the National Council to the Diocese in November for a series of work shop meetings to be held in each district. You are urged to attend your district meeting. Mrs. Wiese assisted, by her daughters, served a delicious lunch.

## SYNOD

Miss Lucy Fletcher, Mrs. William T. Capers, Mrs. Viola Lenoir, Mrs. Thomas O. Wright, and Mrs. Robert B. Campbell, delegates, and Mrs. A. B. Stoney, (visitor), represented you at the Woman's Auxiliary in the Province of Sewanee, which met in Augusta, Georgia, October 5, 6, 7. Enthusiastic reports

were given about Woman's work in the Province, and your prayers are requested for the furtherance of Christ's work.

## WON'T YOU?

1. Attend every Auxiliary meeting.
2. Add something to the meeting.
3. Help with the program when asked.
4. Remember Every Member Canvass.
5. Help with the Canvass if you are needed.
6. Encourage every woman in your Parish to give to U.T.O.

## PROGRAM

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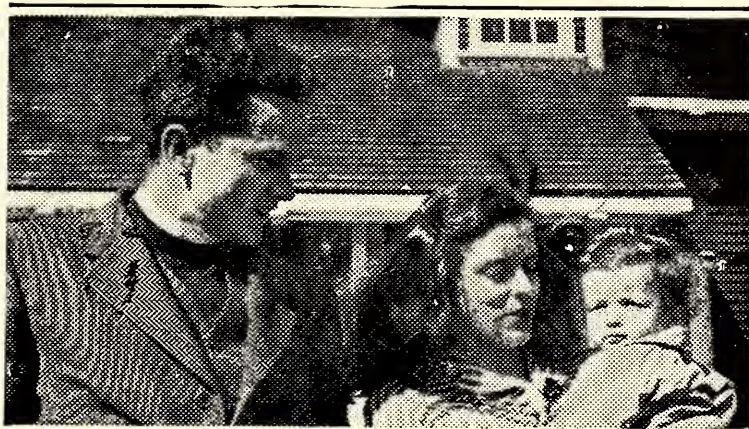
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## PLEASE!

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Lord, revive thy Church, beginning with me.





So young when elected in November, 1947, that his consecration had to be delayed until after May 6, 1948, when he became thirty years old, the Rt. Rev. Wm. J. Gordon was made Bishop of Alaska on May 18. Thirty is the lowest legal age for a bishop in the Episcopal Church. With Mrs. Gordon, daughter Shirley, and a still younger son, William, Jr., not in the picture, Bishop Gordon has returned to Alaska to start his new work. At the time when the House of Bishops was electing him, he was out on a trip by dog-sled and was spending that particular night in a deserted igloo with his tent up for an added protection from the cold wind. He was priest in charge of St. Thomas Mission at Point Hope, a remote Eskimo settlement on the Arctic Coast of North America.

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## EVERY MEMBER CANVASS

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It will call for at least two things. The training of a few individuals for the purpose of presenting the budget of the parish or mission, the Diocese and the general church. We say this is true, since it does not seem right that the minister alone should be responsible for the raising of the budget. Thus, the smallest parish would need two men to meet with others connected with the parish or mission, and present to them the budgetary needs. This means that the Priest-in-charge or Rector is under an obligation to meet with those workers and to help them prepare for the questions that may be asked. A second procedure in the minimum Every Member Canvass would be the mailing of the Canvass mailing pieces. The mailing

pieces for the National Church and the Diocese are prepared, but the mailing piece for the local parish or mission must be taken care of by the parish or mission itself. The smallest group, I believe, would have a typewriter available and a few typewritten copies could be mailed to the individuals in that parish or mission. Even moderate sized parishes and missions frequently have access to a mimeograph, which simplifies the work. The parish or mission mailing piece should set forth the budget rather concisely and clearly and it would seem out of place to suggest that a somewhat larger budget should be made from year to year. Where there is spiritual growth it appears to us that there will be some incentive to sacrifice even where this world's goods are not overly-abundant. These mailing pieces should be mailed over a period of perhaps two weeks proceeding the actual time of the Canvass.

To summarize: A minimum Canvass would call for some training of workers, a planned budget and the use of publicity.

Now, a word about a maximum procedure. Obviously there is no end to which this might go. It would involve a great deal of training for a very considerable group of workers. It would necessitate a careful outline of date controls (so as not to conflict with other drives or activities). It would necessitate a large organizational setup, with a colonel, captains and workers. It would call for releases through newspapers and parish bulletins. Talks by laymen to the congregation would be indicated. Zoning systems would have to be worked out to facilitate the actual calls being made by the workers. Periodic check-ups and reports would have to be made by the Canvass groups. Arrangements for printing and layouts for the parish pieces would have to be given a great deal of attention. Very systematic reports would have to be given and careful check kept on all records and information achieved through the Canvass.

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This is not to say that a Canvass in a large parish is more important than it is in a small parish. But there are of necessity a great many more details involved in it and the failure to attend to all the details could easily mean a critical situation. To put it briefly: in a large parish, calling for a maximum procedure, there will be found perhaps a large number of good workers, but, proportionately, a large number of people who may fail to do their work.

In conclusion, may we say that the Every Member Canvass, wherever it is conducted, whether it be in a large parish or the smallest mission, whether it be with a minimum procedure or an extremely involved procedure, is, at least, an opportunity to share in the creative purpose of God. If sin be man's opposition to God's purpose and if it be the unwillingness to share in His creative plan, it appears to us that a failure to conduct a Canvass in these times does very easily border upon sin against God.

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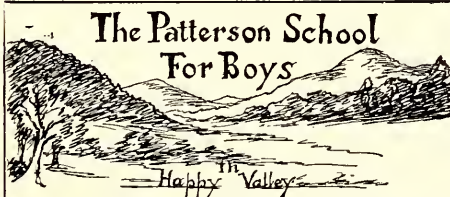
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## DISTRICT VESTRY MEETINGS INAUGURATED

Bishop Henry has inaugurated a plan whereby vestries and mission committees in several districts of the diocese are meeting jointly to consider plans for the extending the work of the diocese. Several of these meetings have already been held. The districts in which these meetings are held are smaller than the area of the two Convocations, thus making it more possible for people to attend without driving great distances.

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for a special offering comes at a most inopportune time, but there seemed no other time if there was to be an offering made in 1948. It seems to be a hanging offense in the Episcopal Church to suggest that the offerings of Easter or Christmas be used for a Special Outside Purpose. Sad to relate, the offerings of these high holy days must be used to balance the parish budget.

We call your attention to the four articles on our schools printed in this issue as well as to Bishop Henry's plea. We join with him in asking every churchman in the Diocese to respond to the pressing needs of our own educational institutions.

## Christmas 1948

With this December issue we close our editorial year, freed for a space from the chain that doesn't let us run very loose from one 20th of the month to the next. It has been an eventful year. A special convention for the election of a bishop had to be covered, and hard upon that we had to print the news of Dr. Tucker's declination. Then came the May Convention when Bishop Henry was elected, followed by the anxious days of waiting to hear of his acceptance. We must have overdrawn our budget in the desperate attempt to get our own picture inserted in the Consecration Issue and then set to work to fulfill the purpose of this journal by promoting the Every Member Canvass to the end that this Diocese might be given the means to do God's work in Western North Carolina. It has been a hectic year, but we have strength enough to wish everyone a Blessed and Merry Christmas.

## OUR COVER

The beautiful little church pictured on the cover is that of St. Francis of Assisi, situated on the Cherokee Reservation. We wish space allowed printing another picture which shows how well situated this chapel is, high on a hillside overlooking the Reservation.

## Diocesan-Aided Schools

The title of this editorial might lead the reader astray into thinking that there are schools in the diocese which are helped in great degree from Diocesan funds. Such does not seem to be the case. Two of them, Patterson and Apalachian, both within our borders and owned by the Diocese, receive 200 dollars a year from the Budget. The University of the South at Sewanee is not listed to receive any help from the 1949 Budget, and St. Mary's School is to be helped by only 200 dollars.

The main effort of this School Issue is to point up the need for the churchmen of the Diocese to make an extra effort in giving to support these four Church institutions. Because there is inadequate provision in the Budget it becomes the responsibility of the individual parishes and missions, through their members, to make up a fund which will be more than a token of our esteem.

The Executive Council, with its interested departments, realizes all too well that another Sunday especially set aside

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## The Bishop's Page

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The First Sunday in December has been designated by the Department of Christian Education of the Diocese of Western North Carolina as a Sunday on which every congregation would receive an offering for the support of the Church owned Schools of this Diocese. There are four such schools: Appalachian School, at Penland; Patterson School, at Legerwood; St. Mary's School, at Raleigh; and The University of the South, at Sewanee, Tennessee. The first two of these are owned solely by this Diocese. St. Mary's School in Raleigh is owned by the five Dioceses of the Carolinas. The University of the South is owned by the fifteen Dioceses of the Province of Sewanee.

To own a school involves certain responsibilities. There is the responsibility of seeing that the School is known so that there will be a constant group of students seeking admission. There is a second responsibility; to see that as a Church School it keeps up the highest standards, and gives a truly Christian education. The third responsibility that is involved is the financial support necessary to enable the school to operate.

I would like for every member of the Diocese of Western North Carolina to undertake those three responsibilities. How many of you have actually visited these schools owned and operated by the Church? You own it; do you know anything about it? Are you shirking your responsibility when you don't even know about the schools you own? How can you tell others about your schools when you have not visited them, nor investigated the opportunities and problems of each of these schools?

As a Church member and therefore an owner of the four schools, it is your responsibility to see that these schools remain truly Christian in their emphasis. Knowledge, you can receive at any school, but Christian Wisdom is knowledge interpreted, and related, evaluated and intergrated into a life in the church. This is the aim of Christian Education, and it is the aim of our Schools. Help keep it that way.

The Third Responsibility of supporting these schools has been somewhat neglected by the communicants of this Diocese as a whole. There are token gifts to our schools through our Diocesan Budget, but they are so small that they are only tokens. There are individuals who have supported our schools most liberally, but all of us are being given an opportunity to contribute to the financial support of our schools on the First Sunday in December. I hope that you will take advantage of this opportunity to meet one of your responsibilities, and that in the future you will strive more diligently to meet the other two responsibilities I have mentioned.



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## A Responsibility Within Our Borders

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*Appalachian School, Penland*

The things that are so common place and self-evident are more likely the things we are apt to overlook unless we continually remind ourselves of them. In a similar manner the works of the Church and particularly of our own Diocese, especially if out of our immediate sight. For this reason the schools of the Diocese ought to have a particular place in our thinking, for as our motto is concerning the "household" of God one of the schools, Appalachian School, could well be considered as the nursery of the diocese. Your interest at large in us, ought to be more than simply philanthropic (sic., as recipients of your financial support) but of a communal nature to fulfill the intentions of the founder, Bishop Horner. The individual Sponsor at the Baptism of a child promises "to take heed that this Child learn . . . all things which a Christian ought to know . . ." and "take heed that this Child is sufficiently instructed" so it is a promise of the Diocese, which means each one of us assumes the obligation so that it can be carried out collectively. If we are to provide the proper vehicle it is a matter for your continued interest and prayers.

Since the School was first taken under theegis of the Church in 1910 the position of child in the world continues to

be precarious and the need for a place for a child whose normal way of life has been interrupted is provided. The school has to achieve a threefold purpose of providing home, church and education simulating as near as possible the "full life" each one of us expects and to which he has a right, and which privilege the Church acknowledges in receiving a child into its fellowship. By taking young children, from age six to twelve for the first six grades of grammar school, a well ordered routine of activities, study, play, manual work and spiritual exercises a child is enabled to develop his abilities and share his responsibilities to the fullest extent under the Church's guidance.

In the way the Diocese makes it possible for young children from the seaboard states from Maryland to Florida to come to us in part we fulfill our obligation for the "advancement of true religion and useful learning" to which it is committed, and the schools are the "special means the Church provides to help you do all these things" if not in person, at least through its workers on the staff who try to be an expression of your interest. In a sense, Appalachian School meets a need not met by other

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## Patterson School Serves The Church



*Work becomes play and play work in Happy Valley.*

The Patterson School for Boys is a Church school owned and operated by the Diocese of Western North Carolina, and as such dedicated to the service of Our Lord and His Church. Through the nearly forty years of its existence, it has been the privilege of its personnel to serve the Church through service to youth and the development of Christian manhood.

The chapel is the visible embodiment of our aim to lead students into a right relationship with God and is the center from which radiates all that is best in our school life. Though we do not yet have a resident chaplain, the regular services of the Church provide opportunity for spiritual growth. The Rev. Boston M. Lackey of Lenoir, the Rev. Charles G. Leavell of Morganton, and the Rev. Robert B. Campbell of Hickory alternate in giving us a service of the Holy Communion and sermon on each Friday morning. The Rev. Hugh A. Dobbin, retired headmaster, celebrates the Holy Communion on the first Sunday of each month. An average of 40 persons partake of the sacrament each week. Mr. George F. Wiese, superintendent, conducts a service of Morning Prayer with sermon on the other Sunday mornings of each month. He or Mr. Whipple, principal, leads the school in morning devotions in the chapel on each

school day before classes begin. All students attend Church School on Sunday mornings and Bible classes for high school students are held through the week.

The religious observances in the school do not constitute the only means of bringing the truths of our Christian faith to bear upon everyday living. Here religion is not a separate department but an integral part of the life of the school family. Patterson School serves the Church through its classroom work and activities. The curriculum has been expanded to include, beside a full and well rounded practical and theoretical junior and senior high school courses, classes in agriculture, forestry, industrial arts, typing, and Bible. The scholastic standards are high and emphasis is placed on teaching the boy how to study and to make the best use of every ability he possesses. Small classes make it possible for teachers to study the needs of each individual and offer help to overcome special difficulties.

Patterson School serves the Church through its work program. The large fertile farm, up-to-date farm machinery, the pure-bred dairy herd, the school forest, power plant, and ever-present building projects, offer varied opportunities for developing body and mind and



*Hilliard Seigler of Asheville lights candles before service at Patterson School.*

such components of good citizenship as respect for honest work and unselfish service, cooperation, responsibility and self-discipline. On the farm the boys see practiced the type of agriculture which is self-supporting. Modern methods are constantly superseding outworn ones. The income from the farm enables us to receive boys at present low rates and to provide part scholarships for worthy ambitious students as needed while the boys' own work enables them to feel that they are doing their share to pay their way as well as learning to help themselves in the future. Boys not interested in farming find the same values in their work on the campus, in the dormitories, the dining room, kitchen, or furnace room.

Patterson School serves the Church on the athletic field. Here, as elsewhere, the building of character goes hand in hand with "playing the game" and nowhere else are achievements or failures in its development more quickly shown up. Basketball and baseball have been favorite sports for years past. This year the boys have enthusiastically embraced six-man football and are reaping the benefits which persevering effort and self-sacrifice for the good of the whole automatically bring. At the same time younger members of the student body are showing remarkable ingenuity in putting on a series of original entertainments on Saturday nights, featuring plays, radio programs, and an original ballet in costume, which have succeeded in pleasing both adult friends and their own more critical contemporaries.

This year Patterson School opened with and has maintained a capacity enrollment of 64 boarding and two day students. They come from places as far apart as Boston and Miami, and as California and the District of Columbia, with the majority from North Carolina.

Each year finds us with new and improved equipment and facilities. Each year also brings the necessity for repairs and replacements in order to maintain our physical plant and our capacity for service. This fall it was necessary to



*Boys help build the new Gymnasium*

replace the old furnace in Palmyra Hall, to have the bathrooms renovated, new plumbing installed, and some painting done. The greatest change in an existing building took place in Gard Hall. A gift of \$12,700 from the National Council and the Woman's Auxiliary has been used to renovate this building to house an improved Vocational Arts Department. The large porch has been removed, walls, windows, and partitions changed, a heating system for the entire building installed, new linoleum and paint added where needed. Welders and other equipment have been added to the shop. It was understood that money for the additional equipment needed for the course would be raised locally in consideration of the gift from the National Church.

Work has gone forward on the gymnasium as fast as contributions have permitted. Side walls were completed early in the summer and the boys are now engaged in helping the carpenters build and place the rafters which will support the roof. We are most anxious to have the building covered before winter weather sets in so that the boys may practice on the sub-floor and so that the inside lumber may be protected from the elements. Boys need a gymnasium and through it, too, the school will serve the Church.

We are in real need of one or more homes for faculty members and for a resident chaplain. The lack of living accommodations for married faculty

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## Facts About Sewanee, The University of The South

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The University of the South is owned by twenty-two Southern dioceses of the Episcopal Church, of which the Diocese of Western North Carolina is one.

Sewanee was founded in 1857, opened in 1868.

In 1947, the University of the South celebrated the 90th anniversary of its founding.

The University of the South is situated in a forested tract of almost 10,000 acres on the crest of the Cumberland Plateau.

Sewanee is 2,000 feet above the sea, about the same altitude as Lookout Mountain, fifty miles away.

More than 500 Episcopal priests living today received training at Sewanee, the University of the South.

Thirty Episcopal Bishops in America have been students at Sewanee.

Sewanee's largest enrollment was reached in 1948 with 520 students in the College of Arts and Sciences, 47 in the School of Theology, and 230 in the Sewanee Military Academy.

One of the finest at any small university in the South, the Library at Sewanee contains 59,000 bound volumes.

The Hospital at Sewanee operates the largest charity clinic between Nashville and Chattanooga. Annually, thousands of mountain people are treated by its staff of five doctors.

The University of the South is noted for the intense loyalty of its students to the traditions and ideals of Sewanee.

The University of the South adheres to the basic function of the college of liberal arts; the training of a man in self-mastery, social consciousness, aesthetic appreciation, intellectual integrity, and in Christian virtue.

Sewanee maintains a faculty of character and distinction, in intimate contact



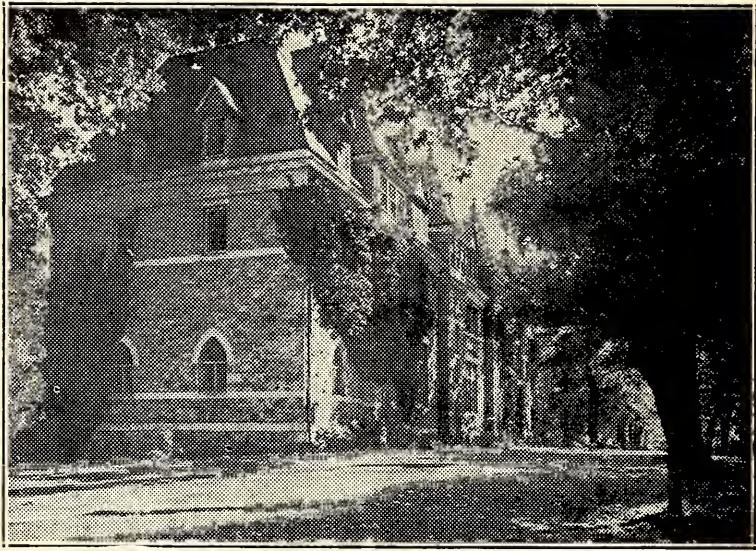
**BISHOP FRANK A. JUHAN**

*The Rt. Rev. Frank A. Juhan, Bishop of Florida, who has been Chancellor of the University of the South since 1945. The Chancellor is always one of the bishops of the twenty-one owning dioceses.*

with a small, carefully selected group of students.

At Sewanee this year, students in the college of arts and sciences number 546. In the School of Theology, the only Episcopal seminary in the country which does not charge tuition, are 57 students, and the Sewanee Military Academy enrollment is 240, an all-time high for each of the separate schools in the University of the South. The faculties are the finest ever assembled at Sewanee; with a record staff of six physicians, the University Hospital is administering to more area cases than ever before; and the University Press has published its first full-length volume in several decades, *Hooker's Polity*, by Dr. John Sedberry Marshall.

Although the death of Vice-Chancellor Alexander Guerry was a tragic loss



*St. Luke's Hall has been the college home of over 500 Episcopal ministers. Built in 1877 this building is a distinguished and beautiful memorial given by Mrs. Charlotte Morris Manigault in memory of her father. There is a bedroom for each student and a private living room with fire place for each two students.*

to Sewanee, his acute foresight and planning have enabled the mountain-top University to remain strong and progressive.

The popular Sewanee Summer Training School will reopen in the summer of 1949 for the first time since 1942, according to an announcement by the Rev. Girault M. Jones of New Orleans, chairman of the executive committee. Operated by a joint board of the Department of Christian Education of the Province and of the University of the South, the co-educational two-weeks training program is one of the high spots in summer activity of the Sewanee Province.

Founded in 1910 by the late Rev. Gardiner Tucker, D. D., one of the great advocates for Christian training of lay leaders, the school prospered for thirty-two years until it was forced to close by the accelerated wartime training program at Sewanee, which took all available facilities of the University. The resumption of the school is in response to repeated requests from sponsoring

church organizations.

"The one opportunity of lay people to meet for systematic training in the techniques of Christian leadership", is the description of the training school offered by the Rev. Mr. Jones. Other executive members of the committee are Miss Ellen Correll, registrar-treasurer, of Memphis; Henry M. Gass, acting Vice-Chancellor of the University; and Charles E. Thomas, director of admissions at Sewanee. The remaining committee members are the Rt. Rev. Thomas N. Carruthers, Bishop of South Carolina; the Rt. Rev. John Moore Walker, Bishop of Atlanta; the Rev. Clarence R. Haden, Jr., of Durham, North Carolina; the Rev. Mortimer Glover of Wilmington, North Carolina; the Rev. John Turner of Birmingham, Alabama; the Rev. Edgar L. Pennington of Mobile, Alabama; Mrs. Randall Chase of Sanford, Florida; Mrs. John Morson of Greenville, Mississippi; and the director, ex-officio, who has not yet been appointed.



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## St. Mary's School, Raleigh, Looks To Us For Support

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On the suggestion of Bishop Levi Siliman Ives, the Rev. Dr. Albert Smedes came down from the Diocese of New York in 1842 and opened a school for girls in Raleigh, N. C. This school was named Saint Mary's, and, as Dr. Smedes wrote in an account of the school: "There is significance in its name . . . Its title, 'Saint Mary's,' designates it as an institution of the Church, a school of Christ, whose chief desire and care are to instill into the minds of its pupils the wisdom that is from above, and to form in them habits of obedience, industry and piety that will make them blessed and a blessing here and meet for the inheritance of Saints in light hereafter." Thus, although Saint Mary's was established as a privately owned school, from the very beginning it has received the approval and the patronage of the Church and has placed an emphasis on spiritual training.

Also from the beginning, Saint Mary's has aspired to a very high standard of learning and has practised a very broad concept of education. Dr. Smedes defined education to his students as "the drawing out, the developing, the training of all your powers of body, mind and heart, that you may become strong, and intelligent, and good, and wise, and thus be fitted for usefulness and happiness in this life, and for immortal happiness in the life to come." His aim was to inspire in them the love of knowledge and a sense of the responsibility entailed in the privilege of education. They were taught in such a way that they in turn might be teachers, either vocationally or to the children in their homes.

There has been not change in this concept of education as Saint Mary's has progressed through the years. While many courses have been added to the curriculum and great improvements and additions to the equipment, the ideal has remained the same.

When Saint Mary's first opened its doors, there was no separate chapel

building. The first floor of East Rock, now used as offices for the staff, was furnished with pews and an upright organ and all services were conducted there. In the summer of 1855 the construction of the original chapel was begun according to a plan, as Dr. Smedes stated in his report to the Diocesan Convention of 1856, "of such expressive tho simple architecture, that it will be a constant witness to the religious character and object of the school, and add much to the interest and efficiency of the services." Bishop Atkinson, who followed Bishop Ives in the Diocese of North Carolina, was greatly impressed with the beauty and functional quality of the chapel. After preaching his first sermon there and confirming sixteen persons connected with the school, he reported to the Diocesan Convention of 1858: "I need scarcely repeat here my conviction of the exceeding value of the services which has been rendered to the cause of Christian education, and indeed to all the best interests of society, not only in this state, but through a large portion of the South by this Institution." With the help of the alumnae the chapel was rebuilt and enlarged in 1905.

The chapel is indeed the heart of Saint Mary's. There, the school year opens with an initial chapel service and there in closes with a final benediction. Throughout the year the student body gathers in the chapel three times during the week and twice on Sundays. The quiet surroundings, the beauty of the ritual, and the fellowship of audible participation in the service—all create a lasting influence in the hearts of the girls and remain their constant inspirator throughout life.

Strong and active church workers have come out of Saint Mary's. Many of the students attending Saint Mary's have been reared with church affiliations other than Episcopalian. Yet, each spring a large number of these girls are confirmed into the Episcopal Church,

and when they return to their homes become leaders and missionaries in their communities.

In 1896, Dr. Bennett Smedes, who had taken over the management of Saint Mary's on his father's death, because of ill health and financial difficulties brought on by years of depression, requested that the Diocesan Convention take charge of Saint Mary's. The convention acceded to his request. Through a charter granted by the Legislature on March 2, 1897, trustees elected from the Dioceses of North and East Carolina and the jurisdiction of Asheville were incorporated; by an amendment to the act of January 10, 1899, additional trustees from the Diocese of South Carolina were elected. Thus, Saint Mary's became the Diocesan School of North and South Carolina.

Under Church jurisdiction Saint Mary's has moved steadily forward in the field of education, adding through the years extra courses and higher classes to its curriculum. In 1927 under Dr. Way's administration Saint Mary's was accredited as a junior college by the Southern Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools. Today Saint Mary's is the largest Episcopal Church School for girls in the country and is a member in good standing of the American Association of Junior Colleges.

With a faculty of thirty members, Saint Mary's offers a standard liberal arts curriculum, and, in addition, courses in Bible, speech, theatre arts, modern dance, fine art and commercial art, piano, violin, organ, voice, home economics, and a full commercial course. Following the retirement of Mrs. Ernest Cruikshank in 1946, Dr. Richard G. Stone, formerly professor of economics and sociology at Converse College, became president of the school.

Western North Carolina is represented on the Board of Trustees by the Bishop of the diocese as *ex officio* officer and by four trustees. Mrs. A. B. Stoney of Morganton, an alumna, and Mrs. C. C. Dawson of Cramerton, the

mother of two graduates and one member of the present student body, are actively interested in the affairs of the school. Mrs. Dawson has served with distinction as a member of the Executive Committee of the Board of Trustees. The Rev. G. Mark Jenkins of Fletcher, and the Rev. B. M. Lackey of Lenoir, are faithful members of the Board and are active in their support of the school.

Saint Mary's has experienced a great many improvements under Church ownership. But there is always need for repair and further improvements to a school as old and yet as progressive as Saint Mary's is today. In order to continue her fine services the school will have to add new buildings and facilities and afford higher salaries to maintain the excellence of her teaching staff. To do this Saint Mary's must depend as always on the support of her alumnae and of the Church.

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### ST. JOHN'S, MARION

On Sunday, November 7th, Bishop Henry made his first visitation to St. John's Parish, was the celebrant of the Holy Eucharist at eight and eleven o'clock, and preached at the latter service. He talked to the children of the Sunday School and visited each class. In the evening an informal reception for him was held at the Rectory. On Monday afternoon he met with the Vestry.

Sunday, November 14th, was the day of the annual parish canvass. The members of the Vestry were assisted by members of the Woman's Auxiliary. By late afternoon, with a few exceptions, all the pledges were in. The budget, which is the largest in the history of the Parish, was over-subscribed. It is an annual event in the Parish, and one which the community looks forward to, the spaghetti supper given by the Woman's Auxiliary, which took place on November 18th in the Community Building. Two hundred tickets at \$1.25 each, were sold. It was hard work but there were many willing hands and a good profit was made.

## UNITED THANK OFFERING, FALL 1948

### First District

Asheville, Trinity	\$ 357.11
Asheville, Grace Mission	35.00
Asheville, Trinity Chapel—Haw Creek	6.50
Asheville, St. Luke's Chunn's Cove	10.00
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Biltmore, All Souls	181.50
Black Mountain, St. James	55.00
Canton, St. Andrews	24.19
Fletcher, Calvary	73.00
Franklin, St. Agnes	28.59
Highlands, Incarnation	18.65
Murphy, Messiah	12.00
Waynesville, Grace	39.45

### Second District

Bat Cave, Transfiguration	\$ 21.24
Brevard, St. Philips Woman's Auxiliary	55.50
Brevard, St. Anne's Guild	20.55
Edneyville, St. Paul's	8.50
Hendersonville, St. James	40.94
Tryon, Holy Cross	355.69

### Third District

Beaver Creek, St. Mary's	\$ 9.00
Boone, St. Luke's	4.67
Hickory, Ascension	128.26
Legerwood, Chapel of Rest	14.38
Lenoir, St. James	47.50
Marion, St. John's	35.05
Morganton, Grace	124.00
Morganton, St. Mary's	7.15
Valle Crucis, Holy Cross	26.13
Wilkesboro, St. Paul's	17.50

### Fourth District

Gastonia, St. Mark's	\$ 103.35
High Shoals, St. John's	8.00
Lincolnton, St. Luke's	20.00
Lincolnton, Church of Our Savior, Woodside	8.00
Rutherfordton, St. Francis	108.34
Shelby, Church of the Redeemer	26.60

### Fifth District

Asheville, St. Matthias	\$ 20.14
Franklin, St. Cyprian's	15.00
Morganton, St. Stephen's	8.00
Rutherfordton, St. Gabriel's	4.50
Tryon, Good Shepherd	1.25
Individuals	16.00
St. Francis, Cherokee	10.00

Total \$2,122.23

Elizabeth C. Wiese, Treasurer, U.T.O.



## **PATTERSON SCHOOL SERVES THE CHURCH**

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members has limited the school's ability to choose a faculty and inconvenienced those already on the staff. The quality of our service will be somewhat conditioned by the fulfillment of this need in the near future.

A special appeal is being made in this Diocese for funds to pay for the new heating system in Palmyra, the most necessary machines for a modern general shop course, completing the roof over the gymnasium, and building one faculty or chaplain's residence. The total cost is \$15,800. Of this \$1,225 has been received to date, leaving a balance of \$14,575. Several small branches of the Woman's Auxiliary have contributed most generously. Each contributor shares in the larger service his gift en-

ables Patterson School to render.

Plans for the future include dormitories so that we may provide for 120 to 150 boys, thus doubling our field of service and operating more economically in so doing; a chapel to be built of memorials "instead of flowers" to honor loved ones; and a camp with separate dining room and cottage facilities. Each summer the school opens its doors to the young people of the Diocese for a six-day camp. When the separate camp units are constructed, we shall be able to serve other Church organizations—Woman's Auxiliary, Men's Clubs, Choirs—as well as Boy Scouts and farm organizations.

We appreciate the interest the Church people of our Diocese are taking in the Patterson School. We shall look to you for your prayerful support to help us grow and to help us serve more effectively.

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### DISTRICT MEETINGS

The fall District Meetings of the Diocese of Western North Carolina reached an all time high in attendance, inspiration and interest. Bishop Henry attended all the meetings and gave a comprehensive picture of our Diocese. He reminded the women that there are sixty-nine churches in the Diocese with fifteen active clergymen. One priest is serving nine congregations. Thirteen churches are closed and there are priests getting salaries as low as \$2,000 a year. Fifty years ago, there were nineteen active priests and four active deacons. There are more churches that are closed today than fifty years ago. Bishop Henry urged the women to see that every parish and mission accept its apportionment and assessment. Our Bishop gave every woman a real challenge, and under his enthusiastic leadership we look forward to real growth in our Diocese.

Following Bishop Henry's address at

each meeting, Miss Fletcher introduced Miss Avis Harvey of New York, the National Secretary of Christian Education. Miss Harvey spoke on woman's work in the church. She gave a detailed picture of the Church's task and woman's part in the task. Women's program in the Church is nothing other than the Program of the Church. Sometimes we are apt to think of the women's program as money. That may be good or bad. If you think of the budget as work in China, Africa, and other parts of the world, then it is good. For our Church has a tremendous missionary responsibility at home and abroad. Miss Harvey enumerated the countries where our church is carrying on our missionary program. She followed this by the tremendous responsibility we also have on the home front. The real problem in the United States is evangelization of America, whether it be in the country or city. Christian Education is a term

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### **A RARE SPIRIT PASSES**

Death which came last night to Mrs. Pearl Dixon Balthis carried from the community a rare personality, a woman whose life had been devoted for the past 40 years to her home, her church and her community. Until disease laid its heavy hand upon her some two years ago she was active in church and civic affairs, continuing some of those activities until long after her health became such as to largely incapacitate her for work.

In her passing the community sustains a heavy loss and her host of friends are deprived of a glowing personality, contact with which brought them pleasure through a long period of years.—"*The Gastonia Gazette*".

Editor's Note: Mrs. Balthis' death on November 21st is a blow to the whole Diocese as well as to her parish church and the Woman's Auxiliary. We extend our deepest sympathy to Mr. Balthis.

### **Jeep Given To Holy Cross, Valle Crucis**

The priest-in-charge at Valle Crucis is still a bit amazed at the great good fortune which came to the mission in the form of a brand new Jeep truck which was given to the church. During the summer Fr. Leach had put an ad in a church paper asking for such a vehicle, but it seemed rather hopeless. In the interest of honesty and accuracy, it must be reported that the gift did not come as a result of the ad. A personal friend knew of the need and made the gift. The truck has already been put to hard use in serving a down river mission station and in hauling supplies for the quonset hut floor which is reaching completion. It is expected to have the building in use well before Christmas.



## Bishop Visits The Southwest

Bishop Henry paid his first visitation to the missions which are under the care of the Rev. A. Rufus Morgan, and although there were no hikes on the agenda, there seems to have been everything else. On Sunday, October 31st, there was a service at Highlands at 11, At 2 p. m. St. Francis' of Assisi Church, Cherokee, was consecrated and two persons confirmed. At 5 o'clock there was a service at St. Cyprian's, Franklin, followed by a supper served in the mission house. To round out the evening there was a service at 8 at St. Agnes', Franklin.

All Saints' Day was quiet, early service, luncheon meeting at Highlands, consecration of St. John's Cartoogechaye, and supper meeting at St. Agnes'.

On Tuesday afternoon a visit was made to Murphy for confirmation of two children from a new negro group which has been meeting under the direction of Mr. Posey Blackwell. After a supper meeting, the bishop preached and held confirmation at the Church of the Messiah.

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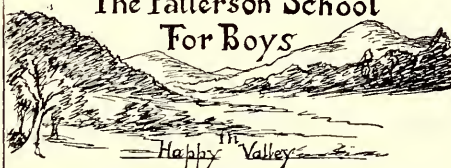
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## The Bishop's Caravan

On February 22nd something new will be added to our Diocese. The clergy will be given the opportunity to learn at first hand what is going on in every parish and mission. Under the direction of the Bishop, a motorcade will leave Asheville for a three day tour of the Diocese. The purpose of this tour is simple in conception, but its results will have far-reaching effect on the whole life and work of the 'Household of God.' As every priest now engaged in active work becomes better acquainted with the work and possibilities of each field, he will come back to his home parish with a renewed enthusiasm for the tasks that lie before every clergyman and layman in the Diocese. Because real enthusiasm is infectious, he will be able to pass his enthusiasm on to the laymen under his pastoral care.

There are already abundant signs that this Diocese is stirring with new vigor. The recent decision of the Executive Council to make this a self-supporting Diocese in 1949, successful canvasses being reported from many parishes and

missions, and the very encouraging financial picture which is reported in this issue of THE HIGHLAND CHURCHMAN, are only a few of the signs of growing strength.

When our priests come back from their unprecedented tour and tell the story of what they have seen and where there are even greater tasks to be done, we are confident that we shall go "from strength to strength."

## Hail and Farewell

We take this opportunity to welcome to the Diocesan Family its newest member, the Rev. Richard J. Lee, now rector of St. Luke's, Lincolnton. Fr. Lee comes to us from the Diocese of Chicago where he has had a most successful pastorate and where he has been most active in the work of that Diocese. In the short time he has been at Lincolnton the work there has felt the impact of having a resident priest. Much has been done already to improve the material resources of the parish and we are confident that the more important spiritual resources are not going neglected.

It is with real sorrow that we have to accept the fact of Fr. Ralph Webster's resignation as rector of St. Francis', Rutherfordton. Fr. Webster is leaving in February to assume charge of a growing mission in Daytona Beach. We are sure his acceptance comes as the result of a real "call", for it is a reversal of the usual trend when we hear of a priest going from a thriving parish to a mission. His leaving will make a vacancy which will be hard to fill, but we can only wish him Godspeed and success in his new work.

## NEWS

Again we plead for news from the Parishes and Missions. The editor gets awfully tired of making up news out of clip sheets. Doesn't anything newsworthy happen in your Parish?

# Executive Council Meets

The Executive Council of the Diocese met at the Diocesan House January 11, 1949, and enjoyed the hospitality of the Bishop's House for lunch. Mr. V. Jordan Brown reported \$23,387.57 cash received for the Bishop's House, with about \$950.00 outstanding in pledges yet to be paid. In the course of the meeting an additional \$3,000.00 in pledges was revealed. Acceptance and reasonable expectations for the 1949 Apportionment or Church's Program for the Diocese totaled \$18,300.00 or more. Mr. Redwood reported a good year financially for 1948, with a balance of about \$1,000.00 in the fund for the Bishop's salary and between \$4,500.00 and \$5,000.00 balance on hand in the Missionary Stipend Fund, due in great measure to vacancies. This condition of finances taken as a whole induced the Finance Department to recommend no asking from National Council for 1949 clergy salaries, and the Executive Council passed this recommendation without "batting an eye." This momentous decision, however, deserves comment. So far as we know this is the first time in its history this Diocese has not asked for help from the National Council (aside from Woman's Auxiliary United Thank Offering women workers always considered an "extra" and at work in many strong dioceses) in meeting its regular budget, and is a mile-stone in our progress.

Other most important business of the Council was re-organization of various committees and commissions under one or the other of the five main Departments of Missions, Christian Education, Social Relations, Finance, or Promotion.

## Diocesan Boundaries

All six members of the special Committee of Convention to consider possible change in Diocesan boundaries within the State met at the Diocesan House January 11th preparatory to talks in Raleigh, N. C., January 27th with

similar committees from the Dioceses of North Carolina and East Carolina. The Rev. G. M. Jenkins, Chairman, presided. Other members are Rev. James P. Burke, Rev. C. G. Leavell, Hon. Kingsland Van Winkle, Mr. W. L. Balthis, and Mr. S. Walker Blanton.

### CONTRIBUTIONS TO BISHOP'S HOUSE AND ENDOWMENT FUND

Source	Cash	Pledges
Trinity, Asheville	\$6,575.00	\$350.00
All Souls, Biltmore	3,835.95	100.00
St. Francis, Rutherfordton	2,782.00	
Holy Cross, Tryon	2,185.32	
Grace, Morganton	2,612.25	1,000.04
St. Mark's, Gastonia	300.00	
St. James, Black Mountain	500.00	
St. James, Hendersonville	250.00	750.00
St. Luke's, Boone	180.00	
Grace, Waynesville	171.00	
St. James, Lenoir	148.00	
St. Paul's, Wilkesboro	143.50	
St. Philip's, Brevard	125.00	
St. John's, Marion	125.00	
Incarnation, Highland	105.10	
Chapel of Rest, Legerwood	90.00	
Good Shepherd, Penland	50.00	
St. Agnes, Franklin	50.00	
Christ School, Arden	36.00	
St. Mary's, Asheville	35.00	
Ascension, Hickory	24.76	
St. Luke's, Chunn's Cove	10.00	
St. Stephen's, Morganton	9.30	
Redeemer, Asheville	5.00	
Outside	50.00	
TOTALS	\$20,399.18	\$4,200.00
TOTAL CASH & PLEDGES	\$24,599.18	

## Lincolnton Rector Installed

Bishop Henry installed the Rev. Richard J. Lee as Rector of St. Luke's Church at an evening service on Sunday, December 17th. The new rector came to Lincolnton on December 5th from the Diocese of Chicago where he had been rector of Grace Church, Hinsdale, Illinois, for nearly 27 years.

Fr. Lee left a very distinguished record of service to the Diocese of Chicago. He was a member of The Bishop and Council, Board of Church Extension, Chairman of Missions Becoming Parishes, Trustee of the Chicago Church Home for Aged, Trustee of the Chicago Cathedral Board, a member of the Diocesan Audit and Appropriations Committee, the President of the Chicago Clergy Round Table and a trustee of DuPage County Tuberculosis Board.

Recently St. Luke's has installed a new oil heating system in the rectory, a stoker in the Church, and the men of the parish are now giving their Saturdays in painting the exterior of the parish house. It is expected that a memorial pulpit in harmony with the beautifully carved altar will be presented to the Church in the near future. Another expected gift will be new lantern lights for the nave which will be in keeping with the Gothic architecture of the building.

The Every Member Canvass, delayed until the new rector arrived, is now under way and already shows every indication of being most successful.

## Organ Fund Increases At St. Mary's

At the parish meeting of St. Mary's Parish, Asheville, it was announced that the Organ Fund had reached a total of \$1,577.80. This amount is now on deposit drawing interest, and is the result of only ten months of effort to raise a fund.

The Christmas offering reached a total of nearly \$400. In the parish paper "The Angelus" Fr. Webbe in commenting on this splendid offering wrote, "The

consecrated generosity of St. Mary's people is continually noteworthy, and continually humbling. However, what else could be expected of people who take for their Patron Saint the Blessed Mother of God who herself gave all—and received All.

There are now 140 communicants in the parish, the largest number in its history.

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## TO OBSERVE 400TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE BOOK OF COMMON PRAYER

New York, N. Y.,—Observances all over this country, also in the various parts of the British Commonwealth, will mark the 400th anniversary of the first Book of Common Prayer used in services of the Church of England. The Book of Common Prayer used by the Protestant Episcopal Church grew from the original Church of England and Church of Scotland Books.

Plans for the commemoration are being made in this country by a Committee of the Episcopal National Council, and overseas by a special committee appointed by the Archbishops of Canterbury and York. The celebrations are expected to reach a climax overseas during May and June, and in this country at the General Convention of the Episcopal Church in the autumn, at San Francisco.

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## Miss Blair of Saluda Dies

Miss Rachel Elizabeth Blair died at her home in Saluda on December 21st. She was 84 years old. Since coming to reside in Saluda many years ago Miss Blair had been active in the Church's work, always faithful in Church attendance, a member of the Woman's Auxiliary, and a teacher in the Sunday School. She had been in failing health for a year or more. Miss Blair took an active interest in community matters.

The burial service was said at The Transfiguration on the afternoon of December 22nd, the Rev. J. B. Sill officiating. Interment was in Macon, Ga.

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## Convocation of Morganton

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THE PRIEST'S FELLOWSHIP met in St. Francis', Rutherfordton, January 13th, the Rev. G. D. Webbe, President of the Fellowship, presiding. The Rev. A. W. Aucock read a most scholarly and helpful paper on "The Virgin Birth". In the afternoon session the Rt. Rev. M. G. Henry, D. D., spoke on "The Book of Common Prayer", emphasizing our unity of worship as found therein, and bringing out its teaching and preaching possibilities. This was the first meeting of the Fellowship Bishop Henry has been able to attend; the clergy are grateful for his stimulating contribution at this meeting and for the fact that they can look forward to this intimate contact with their Bishop.

GRACE CHURCH, MORGANTON, held its annual parish meeting January 18th with about a hundred persons present. Mr. J. E. Erwin, Senior Warden for the past year, recalled some of the earlier days of the parish, remarked on its growth, and expressed his willingness to relinquish his place on the Vestry to some of the younger and more handsome men of the parish. Junior Warden H. M. Walton followed Mr. Erwin's talk with another delightful mixture of humor and hope for the Parish. Dr. P. N. DeVere as Canvass Chairman and Treasurer reported nearly \$10,000.00 pledged for 1949, an increase in Church's Program pledges which he hoped would be pleasing to the Bishop and his program for the Diocese, and reduction of the Rectory mortgage principal to \$10,400.48 from the original \$15,000.00 borrowed, with over a thousand dollars on hand yet to be applied thereon. Mr. J. T. Roughton reported 94 enrolled in Church School with a peak of 80 present recently. Mr. F. W. Davis reported activity of the Woman's Auxiliary; Mrs. H. L. Riddle, Jr., reported for the Altar Guild; Mrs. Donnel Van Noppen for the choir; Mr. John Oxford and Miss Alice Whisnant for St. Mary's Mission; Miss Florence Chaffee for the Y.P.S.L.; Scout

Douglas Van Noppen for Boy Scouts; Scout Douglas Leavell for Cub Scouts; Mrs. John Berry and Scout Betty Landingham for Girl Scouts; and Mr. W. E. Cobb for the Brotherhood of St. Andrew. Those elected to the Vestry for a three year term were Lt. Col. C. M. Walton, Mr. Henry E. Colton, Mr. William Keziah (formerly of St. Andrew's, Canton), and Mr. Hugh Bigham. They succeed Mr. J. E. Erwin, Dr. J. S. Howell, Mr. H. L. Riddle, Jr., and Dr. P. N. DeVere.

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### Hickory Church Badly Damaged

Fire that originated from a stove in the parish house, badly damaged the Church of the Ascension, Hickory, on December 23rd. The fire, coming just before Christmas, would have caused more loss if it had not been for the fact that much of the silver and brass had been removed for cleaning. Some of the hangings and a good many hymnals and prayer books were removed before suffering damage by fire and water.

The Christmas Eve midnight service was held in the First Presbyterian Church, and since that time regular Sunday services are being held in the City Hall.

The congregation of Ascension have been planning for some time to erect a new Church, but building had not been contemplated before next September. Although insurance was carried on the church building and equipment, negotiations had been underway to sell the building for more than the insurance coverage.

The Church of the Ascension was one of the oldest church buildings in the diocese, having been built in 1878. The Rev. Robert B. Cambell is the present rector.



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\$ 891.35	\$ 900.00	Asheville, Trinity -----	\$ 2,507.44	\$ 3,101.17
207.39	203.69	Asheville, St. Mary's -----	430.71	543.65
99.66	50.00	Asheville, St. Mathas' -----	291.86	162.68
794.16	797.47	Biltmore, All Souls' -----	2,233.55	1,664.53
135.58	135.38	Brveard, St. Philip's -----	384.53	252.25
70.76	70.76	Flat Rock, St. John's -----	219.74	219.74
261.66	261.72	Fletcher, Calvary -----	650.00	677.00
281.67	281.64	Gastonia, St. Mark's -----	792.20	877.00
243.27	243.29	Hendersonville, St. James' -----	684.25	684.25
226.57	226.57	Hickory, Ascension -----	637.22	692.22
175.43	179.44	Lenoir, St. James' -----	495.39	493.35
167.64	167.64	Lincolnton, St. Luke's -----	471.50	253.62
136.07	136.07	Marion, St. John's -----	382.70	382.70
398.18	398.18	Morganton, Grace -----	1,119.88	1,450.46
233.95	233.95	Rutherfordton, St. Francis' -----	657.98	682.47
451.29	413.71	Tryon, Holy Cross -----	1,269.25	1,242.19
101.07	101.07	Waynesville, Grace -----	284.27	284.27
63.80	63.80	Wilkesboro, St. Paul's -----	179.42	179.44
<b>\$4,939.69</b>	<b>\$4,864.58</b>	<b>-----TOTAL-----</b>	<b>\$13,671.69</b>	<b>\$13,842.99</b>
<i>MISSIONS</i>				
35.00	35.00	Arden, Christ School -----	85.00	85.00
36.73	35.73	Asheville, The Redeemer -----	100.50	50.50
16.72	16.72	Asheville, St. Luke's -----	47.03	49.03
17.49	18.07	Asheville, Trinity Chapel -----	49.18	62.03
10.00	-----	Bat Cave, Transfiguration -----	80.10	32.00
10.00	-----	Baever Creek, St. Mary's -----	21.55	-----
10.00	10.00	Bessemer City, St. Andrew's -----	27.30	52.40
87.27	43.64	Black Mountain, St. James -----	245.43	122.72
30.00	30.00	Blowing Rock, Strngfellow M. -----	56.84	63.44
24.91	24.91	Boone, St. Luke's -----	70.06	70.06
60.54	60.54	Canton, St. Andrew's -----	190.29	106.25
6.00	-----	Cullowhee, St. David's -----	8.50	-----
13.11	13.00	Edneyville, St. Paul's -----	36.87	56.74
61.35	61.55	Franklin, St. Agnes -----	193.10	201.43
10.00	13.50	Franklin, St. Cyprian's -----	16.25	38.33
10.00	10.00	Glen Alpine, St. Paul's -----	12.00	13.29
10.00	-----	Glendale Springs, Holy Trinity -----	17.30	-----
10.00	10.00	High Shoas, St. John's -----	21.11	21.11
52.36	52.36	Highlands, Incarnation -----	147.26	147.26
10.00	10.00	Hot Springs, St. John's -----	10.00	10.00
25.00	25.00	Legerwood, Chapel of Rest -----	81.95	81.95
10.00	-----	Lincolnton, St. Cyprian's -----	18.33	-----
10.00	10.00	Lincoln, Woodside, Our Saviour -----	37.15	37.25
20.00	20.00	Little Switzerland, Resurrection -----	30.50	-----
12.00	12.00	Morganton, St. Mary's -----	60.12	99.58
10.00	10.00	Morganton, St. Stephen's -----	13.82	24.82
18.00	18.00	Murphy, Messiah -----	25.58	64.18
30.50	30.50	Rutherfordton, St. Gabriel's -----	85.99	62.00
10.00	10.00	Saluda, Transfiguration -----	55.00	64.45
67.30	67.30	Shelby, The Redeemer -----	189.30	189.30
10.00	-----	Sylva, St. John's -----	15.74	-----
10.00	10.00	Todd, St. Matthew's -----	8.05	8.25
43.00	54.20	Valle Crucis, Holy Cross -----	133.96	456.63
12.00	-----	Asheville, Grace -----	17.70	9.45
-----	-----	Blackstone, Mission -----	5.00	3.35
10.00	-----	Cashiers, Good Shepherd -----	10.00	-----
10.00	10.00	Cherokee, St. Francis of Assisi -----	13.00	16.26
-----	-----	Dutch Creek, St. Anthony -----	-----	-----
-----	-----	Edneyville, St. Peter's -----	-----	-----
-----	-----	Lincolnton, St. Paul's -----	-----	-----
-----	-----	Lincolnton, St. Stephen's -----	-----	-----
12.00	12.00	Linville, All Saints -----	24.40	18.00
-----	-----	Morganton, St. Elizabeth's -----	-----	-----
12.00	12.00	Penland, Good Shepherd -----	30.55	83.20
6.00	18.00	Rutherfordton, Missions -----	8.00	50.00
10.00	10.00	Tryon, Good Shepherd -----	11.00	11.00
12.00	12.00	Upward, St. John Baptist -----	61.00	66.65
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*By Lanthe Rush Campbell*

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**PRAYER**

O God, who hast opened to me the door of this New Year, go with me into it. I know not what a day may bring forth, but all my way is known to Thee. Guide my feet that I may not stumble, and keep me lest I go astray. If my way shall be in the sunshine, keep me humble and make me unselfish. If the darkness of sorrow shall cover me, take my hand and let me feel Thee near. May Thy Holy Spirit lead me in all the way through which I shall pass, and help me to live this year as if it were my last; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

### STUDY — CHINA

We are deeply concerned with the present and future of China. No one really knows exactly how many Chinese there are. However, we feel that we can safely say there are between four hundred and fifty and five hundred million. Eighty per cent of them are dependent on agriculture, and if we exclude Manchuria, there are only about 217,000,000 acres of land under cultivation, as compared with approximately 365,000,000 acres under cultivation in the United States. The average Chinese farm is 4.18 acres; the average farm in America is 157 acres. In China more than 100,000,000 people are city dwellers, the majority of whom depend on trade for a livelihood. About 95 per cent of business is still done by the old type shop handling, one class of commodity, grouped together on one street, and organized into guilds. China has practically no known oil reserves, but she dominates the world market in the production of tungsten. What happens to China will deeply affect the lives of all of us.

### SERVICE

Miss Virginia Greene, Diocesan Altar Guild Chairman, and Mrs. M. C. Mc-



*Mrs. A. B. Stoney*

The lady whose picture appears here was wronged by poor proof reading on the part of our large corps of proof readers. In a recent issue of the **HIGHLAND CHURCHMAN**, MR. Stoney was given credit for being co-chairman of the committee charged with raising the House and Endowment Fund.

Laren have started a noteworthy project of securing white Altar hangings for the chapel of The Transfiguration at Kanuga Lake.

We all love the Chapel at Kanuga, and any gift that we can make, large or small, will be most deeply appreciated. The needs are—white super frontal, white pulpit hanging, and white book markers. Please send your contributions to Mrs. M. C. McLaren, 35 Cumberland Circle, Asheville.

Mrs. Alex Menzies, Diocesan Supply Chairman, has received a letter from the Rev. Aristides Zillafane, rector of St. John's Spanish congregation, Senturce, Puerto Rico, in which he thanked the women of the diocese for the most acceptable box of clothing. He said that they are trying to make the congregation of St. John self-supporting in the next two years. Mrs. Menzies stated that the next request for supply work will be sent to you around February 1st.

Remember we want news from you  
up to this point.

**LORD REVIVE THY CHURCH  
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## Early Days of Grace Church, Morganton

*By The Rev. J. B. Sill*

In reading of the days when our Churches in Western North Carolina began to organize, there was no one of them that had a more promising beginning than that of Grace, Morganton. Prominent families in Burke County were ready to form an Episcopal congregation when the Rev. E. M. Forbes came as the first missionary in 1841. Before then we find ministrations to Church families by "Parson" Miller who had formed a parish near Lenoir. Morganton had attained some reputation because of the State Supreme Court holding its summer sessions there. Besides the prevailing agriculture, gold mining was carried on in places not many miles distant.

The first Church, a frame building with bell tower, was completed in 1847, the Rev. J. C. Huske, Deacon, having taken charge of the recently organized parish. It was consecrated in the same year by Bishop Ives. Services had been held in the town for several years and 24 communicants were reported in 1848. Mr. Huske was made priest in 1849 and continued as rector until 1851. After Mr. Huske's time, the Rev. J. T. Pickett, Deacon, left a record of a faithful pastorate. He returned to make Morganton his home upon his retirement and is buried in the Churchyard.

For ten years from 1857, the Rev. S. C. Roberts was rector, being succeeded by the Rev. Neilson Falls. The latter also had a continued attachment to the parish and returned there before his death and burial in the Churchyard. During Mr. Falls' rectorship E. M. Joyner was made deacon in 1873 and later priest in Grace Church. So in its earliest days, Grace Church had the outstanding record of being the scene of five ordinations to the sacred ministry.

I am indebted to the Rev. W. S. Stoney for most of the information given in this sketch. While rector of Grace Church he published an "Historical Sketch of Grace Church" in 1935.

## Fr. Webster Resigns

It has been announced that St. Francis, Rutherfordton, has regretfully accepted the resignation of its rector, the Rev. Ralph K. Webster. Fr. Webster has accepted the call to Holy Trinity Church, Daytona Beach, in the Diocese of South Florida. He is to take up his duties there in February.

Fr. Webster came to Rutherfordton in 1946 from Puerto Rico where he had been engaged in educational mission work. He was the first head of the Colegic Agricultura, an agricultural school for boys. Before going to Puerto Rico, Fr. Webster served as a master at Christ School, Arden, in order to familiarize himself with school administration.

In the few years he has been in Rutherfordton, he has done much to advance the work of the Church there. Under his leadership extensive repairs have been effected on the Church and the membership was growing.

The Vestry of St. Francis' Church has not yet announced a successor.

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## Endowment Fund Chairman Speaks

Mr. V. Jordan Brown, chairman of the committee charged with raising the \$50,000 combined bishop's house and endowment fund, has given the following statement to be used exclusively by THE HIGHLAND CHURCHMAN.

"We are almost half way to our goal of \$50,000 and we hope that further contributions will continue to come in. Many parishes and missions have not yet been heard from.

From a total of \$24,599.18 cash and pledges, \$1,050.00 is designated for the Endowment Fund, leaving \$23,549.18 to pay for the house which cost \$27,880.00. It is our earnest desire that we free the Bishop's House of the mortgage by July 1st."

## Supper Meeting at Waynesville

The annual congregational meeting of Grace Church was held January 14th in the Parish House. Supper was served before the business session.

The Rev. Edgar Goold, rector of the church, discussed the progress of the church work and the following committee chairmen reported: Mrs. John Taylor, Miss Clara Belle Williams, Mrs. William I. Lee, Robert Hill, and Miss Rosemary Britten. L. K. Barber, senior warden, and Mrs. J. F. Abel, church treasurer, also gave talks.

David Felmet and Robert Hill were elected vestrymen to serve with those already in office.

A rising vote of thanks was given to William McCallum for his assistance in the renovation of the church rectory.

Members of the Young People's Service League served the supper, which was planned and prepared by Mrs. Cleveland Kirkpatrick, Mrs. Janie Love Taliaferro, Mrs. William Lee, and Mrs. Roy Campbell.

## Bishop Gribbin Writes Article

"The Pacific Chuchman", diocesan magazine of the Diocese of California, had as a lead article in its January issue, "The Use of the Collects in Worship" which was written by Bishop Gribbin. The author wrote that the value of the Prayer Book as an aid to worship depends to a large extent on how well the worshipper understands the meaning of the Collects. Since it is impossible to realize the full beauty and meaning of the Collect in the brief time it takes the Minister to read it during the service, the article urged the worshipper to read and study the Collect before the service begins, preferably at home. The main part of the article was devoted to an analysis of the Collect for Purity from the Communion Service, discussing in some detail the five parts: The Address, the Basis of the Address, the Petition, the Aspiration, the Mediation.

In addition to his work in assisting the Bishop of California, Bishop Gribbin taught a course on the Prayer Book to the members of the Cathedral staff. He left California on December 15th to take up his work at Hobe Sound, Florida.

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## Hendersonville's Rector Injured In Fall

The Rev. James P. Burke, rector of St. James Church, has been taken to an Asheville Hospital for treatment of injuries suffered in a fall on the night of January 18th.

Mr. Burke had attended a basketball game and was returning to his home when he fell from a wall in the darkness. He suffered fractures of the ankle and leg, a shoulder injury and body bruises.

### ARMED FORCES RELIGIOUS PREFERENCE REGISTRATION

Under a new system of registration, inductees in the armed forces may state their religious preference by denomination. Thus the members of the Episcopal Church called for service should register "Episcopalian." By registering his definite Church connection, the man in service will be sought out by a chaplain of the Episcopal Church where there is one.

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## Mixed Marriages

"The Conference (Lambeth) earnestly warns members of our Communion against contracting marriages with Roman Catholics under the condition imposed by modern Roman Canon Law, especially as these conditions involve, among other things, a promise to have their children brought up in a religious system which they themselves cannot accept."

A Committee of the Bishops went further, to say, of the promises required by the Roman authorities, that for an Episcopalian "To Give Such An Undertaking (i.e. promise) is a sin."

Lest any misunderstand, Lambeth was not interested in picking a fight with Roman Catholics over marriage. Quite the contrary, the fight began in 1908 when the Holy See declared excommunicate any of its adherents who were married other than by its own priests, and at the same time ruled that any non-Roman, to be married by a Roman priest, must give up all right in the religious education of his children.

A parent's duty in the religious instruction of his children is too solemn an obligation to bargain away. The highest authority in the Anglican Communion has ratified the conviction of millions in publicly declaring it is not right for an Episcopalian to "bargain away" his religious responsibilities to his children.

We don't want mixed marriages any more than the Romans. No one can prevent young people of different allegiances from falling in love with each other. But Lambeth is warning all such couples that religious differences should be frankly faced, thoughtfully studied, and positively settled before marriage takes place.

—From The Church Militant  
Diocese of Massachusetts  
December, 1948

Thunder without lightning: After Lambeth spoke, the Archbishop of Canterbury's son married a Roman Catholic. He is reported to have signed a promise to have his children brought up as Roman Catholics.

## "Cruel or Unusual Punishment"

The attention of the clergy and laity of the Diocese of Western North Carolina is called to the abrogation of the third provision of Section 8 of the Bill of Rights. Bishop M. George Henry has notified his clergy that beginning on February 21st, all active clergymen in the Diocese will make a tour of every parish and mission in the Diocese. The tour will last until Thursday, February 24th.

At the time of the visitation in each parish or mission, the clergyman who has charge of the work will tell of his activities or the lack thereof.

A letter sent to all clergy by Bishop Henry stated that there was an obvious need among the clergy for knowledge of the work throughout the Diocese. He further stated that he did not feel that the laity could be expected to be enthusiastic about the Diocesan Program until the clergy were well informed and enthusiastic about it themselves.

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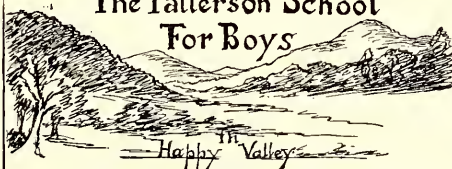
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Before me, a Notary Public in and for the State and county aforesaid, personally appeared William F. Toms, who, having been duly sworn according to law, deposes and says that he is the Business Manager of THE HIGHLAND CHURCHMAN and that the following is, to the best of his knowledge and belief, a true statement of the ownership, management (and if a daily, weekly, semi-weekly or triweekly newspaper, the circulation), etc., of the aforesaid publication for the date shown in the above caption, required by the act of August 24, 1912, as amended by the acts of March 3, 1933, and July 2, 1946 (section 537, Postal Laws and Regulations), printed on the reverse of this form, to wit:

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## A Victorious, Living Christ

### THE EASTER MESSAGE OF

The Rt. Rev. Henry Knox Sherrill,  
*Presiding Bishop of the Episcopal Church*

MANY centuries ago a small, pathetic group of disciples watched their Master die on the Cross at Calvary. Discouraged, disillusioned, fearful, they were about to return to their homes when something happened which changed them completely and sent them out as Apostles of overwhelming Good News. Their testimony as to this transforming event was that the Living Christ appeared to them. This witness of theirs was given no only in words but in the kind of people they were, in the heroic way they lived and died. Certainly a great event took place. Why should we doubt the sincerity and the conviction of their experience?

"He is Risen." That is the clarion call which has brought courage and inspiration to many millions in succeeding centuries. Today in our disillusioned and fearful generation, we need to realize that our faith is not alone in a crucified Christ of long ago but in a victorious, living Christ Who gives men power and strength to follow Him. Here once again in our time as it was of old is the faith which overcomes the world. God grant that Eastertide may make us in our turn courageous witnesses to the Living Christ.



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## BISHOP HENRY VISITS FLETCHER

Calvary Church, Fletcher, was visited by Bishop Henry on Sunday, March 27, to administer the sacrament of confirmation and to dedicate a number of memorial windows. After the service Bishop and Mrs. Henry and the confirmation class were honored at a luncheon and reception in the parish house.

The Rev. Mark Jenkins presented the class and the memorial windows. The windows were in memory of the following:

The Resurrection windows on the Epistle side of the high altar in memory of Ruby McDonald Washington, wife of Bushrod C. Washington, Jr., and given by Mr. Washington. The Crucifixion windows on the Gospel side of the high altar in memory of Henrietta Lance, given by her nephew, William N. Lance. The baptistry windows in memory of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Small Neff, given by the Rev. Edgar R. Neff, a son and former rector.

The Matthew-Mark windows in the Founders' Chapel, next to the altar in memory of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Edward Dameron, given by the family and friends. Mr. Dameron was for many

years a vestryman at the church and Mrs. Dameron was organist for 45 years. The Luke-John windows in the Founders' Chapel in memory of Mr. and Mrs. Chauncey Depew Cushing given by their children, George Washington Cushing and Rebecca Cushing Robertson.

Also to be dedicated was the cross on the high altar given in memory of the Rev. Lynne Burgoyne Mead, a former rector, given by his aunt, Mrs. Benjamin Jones.

In the afternoon, Bishop Henry made a visitation to St. Paul's, Edneyville, where he preached and confirmed a class which had been prepared by the Rev. Mr. Jenkins.

## CHURCH SCHOOL BULLETIN PUBLISHED BY ST. JAMES, LENOIR

Something new and unusual is being done by the Church School in Lenoir with the publishing of a monthly bulletin. The one page mimeographed sheet contains news of enrollment, attendance, new members, a sick list and items of interest to children and parents. As far as is known, this is the only bulletin of its kind ever published by a Church School in the Diocese.

## DIOCESAN OFFICE TO BE CLOSED

The Diocesan Office will be closed from April 26th until the close of the Clergy Tour of the Diocese, Thursday, May 5th.

## IN MEMORIUM

Our Woman's Auxiliary has sustained a real loss in the passing of Mrs. W. L. Balthis, who entered the higher life on November 21st. She was United Thank Offering Custodian from 1929 to 1935; Secretary of Missions from 1941 to 1945. Auxiliary Representative of the Department of Missions of the Province of Sewance from 1944 to 1947. She represented the Woman's Auxiliary at different Provincial meetings. We extend to her family the deepest sympathy of the Auxiliary family of our Diocese.

"Let light perpetual shine upon her".

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## Prayer Book Rubrics

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*By The Rt. Rev. R. E. Gribbin*

There are three words which should be carefully observed by clergy and laity if the possibilities of the Prayer Book worship service are to be realized. These words are "shall", "or", "may". They are in the rubrics, the italicized directions for the conduct of the service which are printed in the Prayer Book. (Rubrics have that name because they formerly were printed in red, and are so printed in the Standard Book of Common Prayer in the case of the Custodian. Rubrica means red coloring-matter from *ruber*, red. In The American Prayer Book by Parsons and Jones there is the interesting information that rubrics was the term applied to chapter headings of the books of civil law because they were written in red. This idea that something written in red was a law passed from the civil books to the ceremonial directions in the Church service-books.)

Some of the rubrics are laws. There are disciplinary rubrics and liturgical rubrics. The latter are intended to insure ease and uniformity in the conduct of the service. They provide for unity of service as well as flexibility and variety.

If the minister fails to comply with the "shall" rubric, he is depriving the congregation of that minimum which is regarded as essential for edifying worship. There are regular attendants at Church who say that they have not heard the Ten Commandments in ten years although there is the rubric that the Decalogue must be said at least one Sunday in each month. Again, it is reported that seldom does one hear the Long Exhortation on page 85 even on the three Sundays when it "shall be said."

In the "may" or discretionary rubrics the minister should remember that when he acts on his discretion then that becomes mandatory as far as the congregation is concerned. The laity should be familiar with the rubrics at the beginning of Morning and Evening Prayer which permit the omission of the Confession and Absolution. Otherwise, they may not be ready to join in the Lord's Prayer if it is used after the Creed. The Minister might well ask himself how often he should leave out the Exhortation in the choir offices since that statement sets forth the elements of worship found in those services. The provision that permits Morning and Evening Prayer to be ended after the Third Collect means that frequently no Thanksgiving is used. This is a serious matter. "It is a good thing to give thanks." "A joyful and pleasant thing it is to be thankful." St. Paul counsels, "In every thing give thanks." The Communion office says "that we should at all times, and in all places" (certainly in Church) "give thanks". A service without thanksgiving is only a partial service. The General Thanksgiving service reminds us that we are to bless God not only for our material gifts but "above all, for thine inestimable love in the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ; for the means of grace, and for the hope of glory." Certainly no service should be minus that thought.

Worship is a corporate act. The rubrics help the layman to take his part. A recent article stated that the "amen" at the end of the Prayer of Consecration spoken audibly by those present is virtually necessary to a valid Eucharist. The rubrics do not direct the worshipper to say "Amen", yet his responsibility for participation is indicated in the various "Answers" and the parts to be said by Priest and People. Let us know and follow the rubrics in our worship.

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## Young People of The Church

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### Diocesan Camp At Patterson School

Plans are under way for the Young Churchmen's Camp of the Diocese of Western North Carolina to be held at Patterson School this summer beginning July 10th and continuing to July 16th. The Camp has been held at Patterson School every year since 1943 when it was organized for the Diocesan young people under the Rev. Tracy Lamar, Diocesan Secretary for Youth Work and first Director of the Diocesan Camp. Since that time it has grown steadily and has developed quite a tradition amongst the Young Churchmen of the Diocese.

This year the Rev. G. Mark Jenkins, Rector of Calvary Church, Fletcher, is to be the Director, with the Rev. C. G. Leavell, Rector of Grace Church, Morganton, Vice-Director. The Chaplain this year is to be the Rt. Rev. M. G. Henry, D. D., Bishop of the Diocese of Western North Carolina, who will also teach a class.

The July 10th-16th dates are about a month later than usual because of the late closing of school in several localities and in order to avoid a conflict with Junior and Y. P. S. L. Conferences at Kanuga. It is also expected that the waters of Buffalo and the Yadkin will be a bit warmer for swimmers in July, and the vegetables of Happy Valley more plentiful to appease the healthy appetites of the young ladies (not to mention the boys!) attending Diocesan Camp. Cost of the Camp this year has been set up from \$7.00 to \$10.00 to take care of the increased cost of food and play fair with Patterson School as to real expense. Registrations may even now be sent to the Rev. G. M. Jenkins, Calvary Church Rectory, Fletcher, N. C., simply by giving name, address, age,

and sending one dollar. More official registration blanks will appear in a later issue of THE HIGHLAND CHURCHMAN

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Do you need a program for your Young Peoples' Service League? If so, write Mary Aston Leavell and arrange for a date for her to visit your League and report on the recent meeting of the Provincial Youth Commission held at Monteagle, Tennessee. She is Diocesan President and your member of the Youth Commisison of the Province of Sewanee. Her address is 301 S. King St., Morganton, N. C.

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The Youth Commission which met March 5th at the Diocesan House in addition to arranging for leadership of the Diocesan Camp also provided for a brief Diocesan Convention. Preliminary plans provide for its being held at Patterson School Thursday, July 14th, beginning in the afternoon and continuing through the early evening, with Bishop Henry's address being the climax of the Convention.

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We hear that the Ascension, Hickory, Young Churchmen meet every Sunday night with an enthusiastic gathering at the Rectory, and that things are "booming" under the leadership of Libby Huffman, President.

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Patsy Peeler is the President of a newly-organized group of Young Churchmen meeting regularly at Our Saviour, Woodside, near Lincolnton. We understand the League there has an average of around sixteen young people at their meetings.

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Joye Reading is President of the St. Mark's Gastonia, Young Churchmen, and things there are humming under her leadership.



Qualitatively if not quantitatively, the Young Peoples' Service League of Grace Church, Morganton, is having its best year in a long time under the leadership of Florence Chaffee, President. Mrs. Julia Wayt and Mr. Henry Colton are Counsellors who aid the two group leaders, Clara Kate Boggs and Douglas Van Noppen, in arranging the programs at Bi-monthly Sunday night supper meetings in the Parish House. Average attendance runs around 15 persons.

Recent programs have been on "Choosing a Vocation" and a report of the Provincial Youth Commission Meeting held in February at Monteagle, Tennessee.

The Young People of Trinity Church, Asheville, meet every Friday evening at 7:30. They have a social hour with games, ping pong, etc., after which they proceed with the program and business session. New officers for the group are: Bill Russell, President; Betty Kirby, Vice-President; Margaret Reid, Secretary; Laura Chapman, Treasurer; Betty Shuford, Program Chairman; and Peggy Jones, Social Chairman. At present, they are busily engaged in working out programs for several months in advance, so that the members will have a preview of what is to come each week, instead of waiting until they arrive to find out.

### **STUDENT ASSOCIATION MEETING**

The North Carolina Episcopal College Student Association met in Raleigh February 11-13 in the Church of the Good Shepherd and in Christ Church with the Episcopal students of State College as host. Approximately seventy-five students were present.

The theme of the convention was *The Anglican Communion*. Dr. Arnold G. Nash, Head of the Department of Religion, Chapel Hill, gave a series of talks on the history of the Anglican Communion, and discussion groups on the subjects Why have the church?, Denominational Differences (Ecumenical Movement), Opportunities of Lent, Lay

and Professional Vocations of the Church, Holy Communion, and Preparing for Christian Parenthood, were held. These groups were led by ministers from the dioceses of North Carolina.

During the business sessions of the association a new constitution was presented and ratified, and officers of the executive council for the coming year were elected. The officers elected were: Jack Olafson of State College, president; Edith Winslow of Chapel Hill, secretary; Leslie Homan of East Carolina Teachers College, first vice president; James Hall of St. Augustine College, second vice president; Hubert Ray of Duke, treasurer; Carl Anderson of East Carolina Teachers College, publicity chairman; Terry Holmes of Chapel Hill, delegate at large.

The convention was climaxed Saturday night by a banquet held in Christ Church when the Rt. Rev. Thomas H. Wright of Wilmington, Bishop of East Carolina Diocese, spoke on the Lambeth Conference.

Officers of the association were installed after Holy Communion Sunday morning.

Dear Father:

Now that I have completed all my tax forms, I will sit me down to send you some young people's news. It's about time, I can hear you say!

### **Provincial Youth Commission**

The mid-winter meeting of the Youth Commission of the Province of Sewanee was held from February 11 to 13 at Monteagle, Tennessee. Our delegate from the Diocese of Western North Carolina, Miss Mary Aston Leavell, was present at this meeting.

Following supper on the evening of the 11th, a service was held, after which delegates from the fifteen Dioceses in the Province were welcomed. The delegates then gave a report of the youth work in their Diocese and the questionnaires which had previously been sent to the members of the Commission were discussed. This is to allow the members to get helpful suggestions from each



other as to the best course to follow in expanding Diocesan youth work.

Special committee chairmen, which had been appointed before this meeting, gave their reports on the following day. Included in these reports was an account of the Interdenominational Conference at Grand Rapids. The most interesting phase of the report of the conference was the account of the Socialists, Communists and Progressives who waited every night outside the conference hall to try and influence the delegates to follow their political parties. Mary Aston expressed her opinion thus: "It was amazing to me to hear of their earnestness and faith in their beliefs. If we as Christians would be as enthusiastic about our beliefs as they were about theirs, we would have many new converts." That is certainly true, and I am sure we all would echo her words. But if all of you are studying your PLAN, you should have learned by now about Evangelism and how to put it into practice.

The remainder of the meeting consisted of plans for the Provincial Youth Convention, which will be held this summer at Monteagle. The last official gathering was to attend Sunday services at Sewanee.

### **Grace Church, Morganton**

New officers were elected recently. They are: President, Florence Chafee; Vice-President, Douglas Leavell; Secretary, Doug Van Noppen; and Treasurer, Tommy Lyman. Group leaders for this up and coming organization are Doug Van Noppen and Clara Kate Boggs.

### **Note**

Mary Aston volunteered this information about Grace Church "In case you are desperate for news". I can tell you that I am. It has been so long since anyone has sent in news that I am beginning to feel the youth of the Diocese are hibernating! Please do tell us of your activity. **THE HIGHLAND CHURCHMAN** is for the young and old alike, and even our older church members enjoy reading about the activities of the up and coming future churchmen. It is hoped that the June issue of the

**CHURCHMAN** will be devoted entirely to Youth, so please send in your news. Plan activities, in order that this issue will be the best yet, and will give all our readers something to think about. Send your news to Helen Thomas, Trinity Church, Asheville, N. C.

### **Youth Commission Meeting**

The Diocesan Youth Commission met Saturday, March 5, in the office of Bishop Henry. The Rev. G. Mark Jenkins, Chairman, presided. The main purpose of the meeting was to make plans for the annual Youth Camp at Patterson School. This year the camp has been planned for July 10-15. It was decided to have the camp in July so as not to interfere with the Young People's Conference at Kanuga, which is held June 11-24. The Rev. Mr. Jenkins is to direct the camp this year.

The Bishop is making a full survey of the Diocesan Youth Work, so as to find out the number of active youth groups in the various parishes and missions, and just what type group it is, such as Junior Altar Guild, Young People's Service League or Acolyte Guild, etc. This will be of great value, and will enable the Bishop to know the youth who are active in the work of the Church, and they, in turn, will feel closer to the Church in general.

Another purpose of the meeting was to make requisitions for the part the young people would have in the Department of Christian Education for 1950. It was the first meeting of the Youth Commission for 1949, and also the first meeting with our Bishop.

*—Helen Thomas.*

### **RECOGNITION**

An English clergyman preached a sermon on the subject "Recognition of Friends in Heaven." Next week he received a note which read: "I should be much obliged if you would preach to your congregation on 'The Recognition of Friends on Earth,' as I have been coming to your church for six months and no one has taken any notice of me yet."

## DIOCESAN NEWS

The Rev. William H. Anthony, B. D., Ph. D., will become Priest-in-Charge of Redeemer, Shelby, about April 1st. Dr. Anthony is a native of Newfoundland, but has spent most of his ministry in this country, lately having been in charge of St. Andrew's, Hartford, Connecticut. He was educated at the University of Pennsylvania, the Chicago Law School, Marberg, Germany, and at Oxford, England.

The new six-room bungalow Rectory at Shelby is about ready for occupancy, and we trust will actually be occupied by Dr. and Mrs. Anthony by the time this issue of **THE HIGHLAND CHURCHMAN** goes to press. Dr. Anthony will also be Priest-in-Charge of St. Andrew's, Bessemer City, at present under the ministry of the Rev. W. C. Cravner. He has requested that no aid be given towards his salary by the Diocese, and looks forward to parochial status of Redeemer, Shelby, in the near future.

There is already some talk in Shelby of building at least the first unit of a new church in the near future. Congregations there have recently averaged around thirty to forty persons under Mr. Edward L. Kemper as Lay Reader.

It is expected that the Parish House of the new Ascension Church, Hickory, will be ready for occupancy and to be used temporarily for Sunday services by early summer. Construction is well under way, with rock now being laid for the church proper, and much of the Parish House portion completed. Meanwhile, 11:00 A. M. services are being held at the Court House in Hickory and have been attended even better than were services at the old church before it burned last December.

At noon on March 10th Bishop Henry held a service in old St. Stephen's Mission, Morganton, for the Removal of

Consecration thereof. It is to be sold for secular use, proceeds from which sale will be applied to the cost of the new St. Stephen's. The new mission is now under room, and the basement about ready for occupancy. The whole church will probably be ready for Consecration by the latter part of April or the middle of May. April services may be held in the basement of the new St. Stephen's, located on Bouchelle Street.

The Church School of Grace Church, Morganton, Mr. J. T. Roughton, Superintendent, recently set a new record for attendance at 87. This has been due in large measure to a terrible family fight, more or less friendly, between Mrs. A. B. Stoney, teacher for the Women's Bible Class for many years, and Mr. A. B. Stoney who this past fall took over leadership and organization of a Men's Bible Class. The latter has grown recently to an enrollment of 23 men, necessitating repairs on the Parish House basement in order to house them in the dry, and also making necessary the "borrowing" of several old pews not in use at St. Mary's, Quaker Meadows.

A new record attendance for the Wednesday night Lenten services was set when 89 persons attended the first of the series of such services being held with guest preachers. A newly-organized Junior Choir, under the direction of Miss Lily D. Burley, is singing at these services and relieving the regular choir. The latter, incidentally, is under the direction of the Organist, Mrs. Donnel Van Noppen, and at present is flourishing to such an extent it has a waiting list. Lenten preachers in Grace Church were the Rev. Richard J. Lee, St. Luke's, Lincolnton, March 9th; the Rev. W. C. Leach, Holy Cross, Valle Crucis, March 16th; the Rev. G. M. Jenkins, Calvary, Fletcher, March 23rd; the Rt. Rev. M. G. Henry, D. D., March 30th; the Rev.

R. B. Campbell, Ascension, Hickory, April 6th.

Grace Church Auxiliary, St. Elizabeth's Chapter in particular, recently sponsored a spring fashion show in the Parish House netting around sixty dollars profit, filling the Parish House to capacity, and featuring Doncaster dresses, a Diocesan product from nearby Rutherfordton. Mrs. Henry E. Colton is local Doncaster agent who shared her profits with fellow St. Elizabethans.

The Diocesan Convention is to meet in Grace Church, Morganton, May 12th and 13th, Thursday and Friday. All overnight reservations of delegates should be made through the Rector of Grace Church, the Rev. C. G. Leavell, 301 S. King St., Morganton, N. C. Notice of intention to attend the Convention should also be sent him by all delegates and alternates who expect to be present even for only a portion of the sessions.

The Convocation of Morganton is to hold the presentation of the Lenten mite box offering in St. Mary's Mission, Quaker Meadows, Sunday, April 24th, at 4:00 P. M. St. Mary's is getting ready for a large delegation of children, and is "sprucing up" for the occasion. The old pulpit used in St. Margaret's, Morganton, (not inactivated) has been placed in St. Mary's and other improvements made. A new room and a front porch have been added to the mission house occupied by the Lay Reader, Mr. John Oxford, and his family. Mr. Joseph Harrison and Mr. Ervin Queen did most of the work on this addition, and gave a tithe of their labor as well as holding down the cost in other ways. St. Mary's is located about one-fourth of a mile off Highway No. 161 (to right going towards Lenoir) slightly more than a mile beyond the town limits of Morganton at the Catawba River, on second road to right after crossing the river.

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## RENEWED ACTIVITY AT SYLVA

The congregation of St. John's Church, Sylva, has been stirred to renewed activity through the interest of a group of laymen and the organization recently of a Woman's Auxiliary. The men, along with representatives from neighboring missions, have had a Lay Reader's School under Bishop Henry, and are now serving regularly. This makes possible services every Sunday, though the minister in charge is able to come only every other Sunday.

The congregation of St. John's have, at their own initiative and expense, had some repairs done on the fabric of the Church, have had the whole building painted inside and out, and have had a new roof put on the Church. All of this is definitely an outward, visible sign of a renewed spirit.

## NEWS FROM TRINITY, ASHEVILLE

Trinity is cooperating with the organization known as the Churchmen of Church Street in presenting a weekly series of Lenten services. Every year this group combine sthe several church forces of Church Street to attract out-

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standing clergymen as guest preachers for union services.

Mr. Josef Privette has assumed his duties as organist and choir master. He comes to Trinity after notable services at All Souls, Biltmore, and churches in Baltimore. He takes the place of Mrs. Erwin Heers whose resignation was accepted when she moved to Marion.

The nominations by the Rector of Mr. Julian Woodcock as Senior Warden and Mr. Lavon Sarafian as Junior Warden were unanimously approved by the vestry and these men were elected to these offices for the ensuing year.

## CONFERENCE SCHOLARSHIPS AVAILABLE

It has been announced that there are several scholarships now available for those wishing to go to Kanuga from the Diocese. There are four scholarships for the Young People's Conference, ages 15 to 19; seven for the Junior Conference, ages 12 to 14; and seven scholarships for the Adult Conferences, ages 15 and over.

Young people who would like to apply for these waiter's scholarships may do so by writing to the Bishop.

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#### WORLD DAY OF PRAYER

A World Day of Prayer service was held in the Congregational Church at Tryon. Mrs. W. T. Capers, Jr., and Mrs. W. M. Spivey of the Church of the Holy Cross were leaders. Fourteen members of the Girls Friendly Society of Holy Cross Church took part in a youth choir. Twenty-five members of Tryon Churches for Colored People sang spirituals. There was standing room only in the Church.

In Hickory the World Day of Prayer Services were sponsored by The Hickory Council of Church Women of which Mrs. Robert B. Campbell is President. A total of six hundred and thirty people attended the services in different Churches.

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## STUDY

Many of the Auxiliaries in the Diocese are studying the Prayer-Book during Lent. The New York Bible and Common Prayer Book Society reports that it has sent out over one hundred thousand leaflets on the Prayer Book.

### THE BOOK OF COMMON PRAYER IN IRISH

The work of preparing a new translation in Irish of the Book of Common Prayer, which has been going on for some years, is nearing completion. It has been undertaken by the Irish Guild of the Church, Cummain Gaedhealach, which has had the assistance of several priests and laymen of the Church of Ireland who are authorities in Gaelic scholarship.

The present Irish edition of the Book of Common Prayer is the work of the late Canon Paul Quigley. It does not contain the entire contents of the Prayer Book; for example, only the first fifty Psalms in the Psalter have been included. The new translation, however, contains the whole Book. So far as possible, the new form of spelling in Irish has been followed.

—“*London Church Times*”.

### YOUTH WORK

Twenty-six women of Holy Cross, Tryon, are now sponsors of the recently organized Girls Friendly Society in that Parish. Five new members were admitted to the Society in February.

What is your Branch doing for the Youth of your Parish?

### FLASHES FROM THE WOMAN'S AUXILIARY BOARD MEETING

The Spring meeting of the Board of the Woman's Auxiliary met Wednesday, March 16, in Asheville in Bishop Henry's office. At the noon hour the members of the Board were guests of Bishop and Mrs. Henry at a delightful lunch, served in the Bishop's home.

A few highlights from the meeting are as follows:

The total Fall Offering from the District meetings amounted to \$196.17.

Tentative plans were made to hold a Summer Conference at Valle Crucis from July 24-30.

Tentative dates for the District meetings are as follows:

District I. St. Agnes, Franklin, April 21st.

District II. St. Philip's, Brevard, April 27th.

District III. Holy Cross, Valle Crucis, April 28th.

District IV. St. Francis, Rutherfordton, April 26th.

District V. St. Gabriel's, Rutherfordton, April 10th. (Palm Sunday)

The offerings from the district meetings will go to St. Cyprian's, Lincolnton, which has recently been re-opened.

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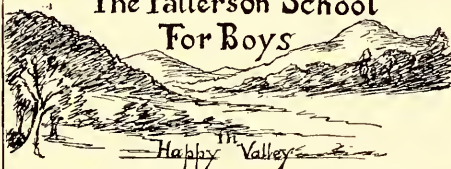
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## Excerpts From The Bishop's Convention Address

"I have every confidence each of you will do everything humanly possible to further the effective work of the Church . . . You may have noted . . . everything that is *humanly* possible . . . You need not just human application, but Divine power and serenity to face the world in which you are God's chosen witnesses . . .

In Europe the guns were stilled four years ago . . . we only have to look at the world and see that there is no peace in our world on a human level . . . Neither is there peace in our economic life . . . People have lost their faith in the continuance of present conditions . . . we shall lose our economic life in an effort to save it.

. . . The war and the immediate aftermath of the war has done much to disturb the peace and understanding that there was between various racial and cultural groups . . . Today we find a separation building up, and that cowardly group, that hides behind sheets, the Ku Klux Klan, has made its appearance

just to the south of us . . .

God's power is not overcome by these temporal forces that are attacking us on all sides. God's peace is not determined by this world and its peace. It stands forever one and the same . . . Today in our world, there is needed again a strong victorious group who know the truth of God's victory and who are never overcome, and who have peace in a chaotic world . . . This is your calling.

I commend you for your faithfulness to your obligation during the time when you were without a Bishop. Truly something of the grace and power of God was in you as you continued in the work of spreading God's light in the world.

. . . The great shortage of clergy is one of our foremost problems. It is one that will not be remedied overnight . . . I ask all of you to pray fervently that more able men will offer themselves . . . Particularly is our shortage in evidence when we consider that there is not a negro priest active in our Diocese to minister to seven active congregations of negro people . . .

You have most cordially received me and my family into your midst . . . You have taken us into your hearts, and I pray God I may never disappoint you.

## Twenty - Seven

We are glad to dedicate most of this issue to the youth of the Diocese, for the emphasis on youth serves as a reminder that we are members of a young Diocese. After all, we are only twenty-seven! The Youth Camp Director and the Vice-Director, who, alas, are well past twenty-seven, know that is young. Or if they don't know it now, they will by the 16th of July.

At twenty-seven the Diocese is just reaching a point where youthful vigor is quite evident. There is a youthful, forward looking attitude prevailing. This is evidenced to by the optimism and enthusiasm with which the Convention attacked the problems of increased budget, shortage of clergy and a special assessment.

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## A Message From Bishop Henry

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The Young People of our Diocese are to be the leading members of the Church. Therefore, it is important that they know the teachings, programs and life within the Church. The whole organization of the Young People is designed to make them more able to assume this future leadership.

In the Young People's group meetings throughout the year this instruction and life together fit them for greater participation in the future. The Summer Conferences and Camp are a period of intensive instruction and life in the church. I commend the year-round program to all of you and especially the Camps and Conferences.

We have many able young people—we need more. The Church depends upon this group for its continued strength and life. As Chaplain and one of the instructors of our Patterson School Camp, I am looking forward to being with this group of Young People. I hope to know them intimately and to be able to enter in to their hopes and outlook for the future.

### From Your Youth Editor

Dear Young Churchmen:

It seems like no time at all since we were all at Patterson Camp in Happy Valley, enjoying a week of fun and fellowship. This is the sixth year of the Camp, and I am looking forward to it as much as I did the first year. It has been interesting to watch the growth of the Camp, the number of campers, and the improvement in the classes. And Patterson School has also had some added improvements which you will note with pleasure when you arrive this July. The gymnasium will be ready for our use when it is raining and too wet to have our athletic program outdoors. The school Library will certainly miss all the activity this year, especially since the library is the place where quiet reading and study is always done!

As I have done in past years, I will list here the things the new campers might need to know before coming to Camp. We hope that there will be many new faces this year, as well as many familiar ones. For classes, you should bring Prayer Book and Bible and notebooks and pencils. For entertainment, bring any musical instrument that you can play and all the ideas you have for "stunt night", such as short skits or plays, readings or quiz program dialog. We will hope to have a camp fire program one evening, so you might need a flashlight to guide you back to the camp.

There is nothing formal about our life at Patterson. We start things off right by dressing comfortably in old clothes, jeans, shorts and some of the girls stick to dresses. Swimming period is a popular time, and requires an extra towel (and your bathing suit, of course). No linen is furnished, so please don't forget to bring along your sheets and blankets and towel and wash cloth. Incidentally, if you are not used to sleeping without a pillow, you had better bring your own.

We don't mean to sound barbaric, but we are not kidding when we say that we will be camping in the rough. The boys will not think so maybe, but I am sure it will be a new experience for many of the gals! No joke, it is really fun and I am sure you wouldn't want to miss it.

I am looking forward to seeing all of my old friends again, and am anxious to meet the new campers. Until July 10th, when we will meet again at Patterson.

Sincerely,

Helen Thomas.

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## Patterson Camp

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by  
*Mark Jenkins, Director*

The Public Schools opened late last fall because of the polio epidemic, and therefore we find the schools in various parts of our Diocese closing one, two and some even three weeks later than in past years. When plans were laid for the Camp in a Youth Commission meeting in January we had to set a later date than usual for our week at Patterson. This later date should be better because we will be in Happy Valley in the middle of the hot months. Hot days are welcome when one has the cool waters of this valley to swim in. Vegetables fresh from the rich soils of Patterson School's gardens will stay our well-earned appetites. All in all, I cannot think of a better time to gather in this lovely part of God's world than the second full week of July—the 10th to the 16th.

We all will have the opportunity of initiating Bishop Henry into the life of Patterson Camp. We will also have the privilege of having him as our Chaplain and as teacher for one class.

Other classes will be taught by some who are familiar to campers of past years and by some who are new to our faculty. A completely reorganized program of recreation and entertainment is planned for this year.

Worship, study, play and fellowship have been, are, and will be the reason for this Diocesan Camp. Is there any boy or girl who does not dream of an opportunity to join others in such a program? Here is the chance to make this dream come true! Join us the week of July 10-16 at Patterson Camp.

In this issue of the Highland Churchman you will find a registration blank. Cut it out, fill it in, and mail it with one dollar registration fee to the Rev. Mark Jenkins, Fletcher, N. C. Do this at once, as our enrollment is limited by the dormitory space at Patterson. When your registration blank is received a letter will be mailed to you with all necessary information and directions.

See you at Patterson Camp!

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## Youth Leaders And Advisors

We hope that you will make use of the following list of Young People's Presidents and Advisors from the various groups in the Diocese. This list was recently obtained through a questionnaire sent the clergy. If you are wondering what the other groups are doing or what success they are having in reaching new members and getting up programs, write to them and find out:

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Transfiguration, Bat Cave		Mrs. Norman Greig
All Soul's, Biltmore	Mr. William P. Holt	Mrs. Carleton T. Smith
St. Philip's, Brevard	Miss Fuller Chaffee	Rev. H. Boyd Edwards,
Calvary, Fletcher	Miss Diane Miller	Mr. H. S. Miller
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## The 27th Annual Convention HIGHLIGHTS

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At the opening service in Grace Church there were over one hundred people present. With the exception of last year's convention when a bishop was to be elected, this was one of the largest convention gatherings in recent years.

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Bishop Henry introduced the new clergy and lay workers in the Diocese by saying that along with him they were the babies of the Diocese. Those who have come since the last Convention are the Rev. Richard J. Lee, now rector of St. Luke's, Lincolnton, Fr. Edwin Rossmaessler, chaplain at Christ School, and the Rev. Dr. William H. Anthony, priest in charge of Redeemer, Shelby and St. Andrews, Bessemer City. Two lay workers, Mr. William Bolton and Captain George Graham, C. A., were introduced as additions to the work in the Southwest. Mr. Bolton is working at the Church of the Messiah, Murphy, while Graham has charge of the negro work in Franklin and Murphy.

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A report from the Department of Finance included the request for a special assessment to be levied this year in order to provide more funds for deputies to the General Convention. There was not a sufficient amount in the Diocesan Treasury to send men as far as San Francisco. In the resolution, which was passed, it was made clear that no penalty was attached to non-payment as there is if the regular assessment is not paid by a parish or mission.

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All delegates and many visitors were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Stoney at a luncheon served at the Community House. The amount and good quality of the food made it rather difficult to the delegates to transact the afternoon business, for naps seemed highly desirable.

The afternoon of the first day was devoted largely to reports from the chairmen of departments and committees. Following these reports, nominations for elected officers were received.

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When the Convention recessed, delegates and visitors were the invited guests of the State Hospital for a short tour followed by dinner. The new chaplain at the Hospital spoke on his work, noting that his appointment as chaplain was a new venture in the State's care for the mentally ill.

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At an evening service, Bishop Henry made his address to the Convention. This marked a change in the usual order where the Bishop's address was part of the first order of business. Excerpts from the Bishop's address are printed elsewhere in this issue.

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On the second day of the convention, Mr. Redwood was presented with a silver dish in token of the appreciation of the Diocese for his twenty-five year's service as Treasurer. He was re-elected by unanimous consent of the Convention.

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The forward-looking temper of the meeting can be judged by the fact that a greatly enlarged budget was passed upon with no opposition. In fact, the only change made was to raise the amount paid to the Secretary of the Diocese. The budget calls for expenditures of \$28,407.00 and represents an increase of about \$4,000.00 over last year's budget.

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When the dust had settled, it was found that the following had been elected: General Convention Deputies: Clerical; Rev. Messrs. Morgan, Leavell, Tuton, Jenkins. Lay; Messrs. Balthis,

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# Receipts For Diocesan House And Endowment Fund

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April 26, 1949

House Endowment

Asheville, St. Mary's -----	520.75	Wilkesboro, St. Paul's -----	143.50
Asheville, St. Matthias --	17.00	Arden, Christ School --	36.00
Asheville, Trinity -----	6,773.39	Asheville, Redeemer -----	5.00
Biltmore, All Souls -----	3,835.95	Asheville, Trinity Chapel	10.00
Brevard, St. Philip's ----	125.00	Black Mountain, St. James' ----	500.00
Gastonia, St. Mark's -----	300.00	Boone, St. Luke's -----	180.00
Hendersonville, St. James' ----	250.00	Franklin, St. Agnes -----	50.00
Hickory, Ascension -----	24.76	Highlands, Incarnation, --	106.10
Lenoir, St. James' ----	148.00	Hot Springs, St. John's ----	40.00
Marion, St. John's -----	125.00	Ledgerwood, Chapel of Rest--	90.00
Morganton, Grace -----	4,632.25	Morganton, St. Stephen's --	9.30
Rutherfordton, St. Francis ----	2,782.00	Penland, Good Shepherd	50.00
Tryon, Holy Cross ---	2,180.32	Saluda, Transfiguration	5.00
Waynesville, Grace -----	181.00	A Friend -----	50.00
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			23,120.32
			1,050.00

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Brown, Stoney, Blanton. Standing Committee: Clerical; Rev. Messrs. Tuton, Leavell, Jenkins, Burke. Lay; Messrs. Balthis, Stoney, Redwood, Hartshorn. Executive Council: Clerical; Rev. Messrs. Campbell and Morgan. Lay; Messrs. Balthis and Dawson.

Despite the violent opposition put up by himself, The Rev. J. P. Burke was re-elected Secretary of the Diocese by overwhelming consent. He has served 19 years.

## YOUTH NEWS

As a result of cards sent to all the clergy of the Diocese, we have quite a bit of news to report from the various youth groups.

### **ST. JOHN'S, MARION**

As yet, there is no young people's organization in St. John's Parish. There is, however, an up and coming group which will soon be organized. (The best of luck to this new group, and if we can be of any help in getting organized, I am sure all the young people will be glad to lend a hand.)

### **TRINITY, ASHEVILLE**

Our group was disappointed several weeks ago when a very bad rainstorm prevented us from going on a hayride which we had planned. We still intend to have it, however, and we did enjoy having our food cooked in the parish house instead. For the past six weeks,

We are having discussions and outside speakers, such as a recent program on programs have been exceptionally good. "Getting over feelings of Inferiority", and discussions on hobbies, crafts, etc., in regard to vocations.

The Sunday School was well represented at the Mite Box Presentation Service at Calvary Church, Fletcher, on the second Sunday in May. On Youth Sunday there was a Corporate Communion service, followed by a delicious breakfast. Twenty-four of our group were here for this service.

The Junior Altar Guild meets the Saturday before the first Sunday in the month and does an excellent job of polishing the Altar brass.

### **CALVARY, FLETCHER**

The Young Churchman's Club of Calvary Church lost many of its active

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members this past year. Some entered the armed services, some are away at college and still others are working away from home. But the ranks did not remain depleted long. Out of the thirty-two confirmed in the middle of Lent, twenty-six were young people, all of whom came into the club and are now taking an active part in its work.

The Choir of Calvary Church is composed entirely of young people, and they help to make the service more beautiful by taking part in the musical life of the parish all year round.

Because of the need for social life among the boys and girls of the community, square dances, parties, picnicks and game fests are carried on regularly. The educational side is taken care of by talks and films on religious and educational subjects.

On May 15th, we observed Youth Sunday by attending a Corporate Communion Service, followed by breakfast. Officers for the coming year were also elected at this time.

#### **ALL SOULS, BILTMORE**

All Souls Church has a considerably enlarged Youth program now that the Parish House has been completely renovated and is very useful for the meetings of all kinds of groups. An Acolyte Group, which is under the personal direction of the Rector, assisted by Mrs. G. Lyle Jones; the members of the so-called Younger Congregation, which includes married couples and also single folk in their 20's and 30's meet once a month for supper and a program, and the Young People's Fun Night, goes to show us that fun can be had by all—even in Church. Mr. William P. Holt is Chairman of the youth group.

#### **ST. MARY'S, ASHEVILLE**

Thirty-seven of the Sunday School children from St. Mary's Church were present for the Lenten Mite-Box presentation at Calvary Church, Fletcher, the second Sunday in May. The young people's group was badly interrupted by the polio epidemic last summer, but is now well on the way up. Father Webb plans to take the group to Mills River for an all day picnic in July, at which

time he will introduce to them his plans for revival of organized young people's activities. On May 22, at 4:00 P. M., the second annual Acolytes' Festival of the Diocese was held at St. Mary's, at which time the Rev. Charles G. Leavell, Rector of Grace Church, Morganton, was the preacher, and Christ School Choir led the singing.

One of the St. Mary's young people, Miss Grace Blackmore, played the organ at all the Wednesday night Lenten Services this year.

#### **GRACE CHURCH, WAYNESVILLE**

The Young People's Service League of Grace Church in-the-Mountains, Waynesville, was organized last fall. At present there are fourteen members. The officers are as follows: President, Rosemary Britten, Vice President, Peter Dock, Secretary, Mary Osborne, Treasurer, Mary Michal, Advisor, Mrs. Edgar Goold. Meetings are held every two weeks, on Sunday evenings, either at the Rectory, in the Parish house or at the home of one of the members. After a program of devotions and discussion, light refreshments are served. The group has been studying a booklet, "Talks on the Episcopal Church" by Canon Averill, also the work of Albert Schweitzer in Africa. Members of the group use the "Rule of Life" and subscribe to the Youth Edition of *Forward Day by Day*. A number of them sing in the choir and help in the Church School, especially in the music and in looking out for the younger children.

One of the projects of the group was to paint the small chairs and table used by the Primary Grade of the Church School. Several members are planning to attend the Kanuga or Patterson Camps.

#### **ST. ANDREWS, BESSEMER CITY**

The Service League of St. Andrews is resuming activity under the leadership of Bill Harmon. On Sunday, May 15, Dr. William Anthony, the new Rector, conducted a youth service, to which the whole congregation was invited. The service projects in which the members are engaged consist of singing in the regular church choir, teaching in the



Church School, acting as assistant Superintendent of the Church School, playing the piano, caring for and improving church grounds and church furnishings and helping with transportation to church services. This group is looking forward to attending Camp Patterson again this year.

#### **APPALACHIAN SCHOOL, PENLAND**

Although there are no young people over twelve years of age at Appalachian School, they still keep up with the Church life. An acolyte group and choir function regularly, and for chief festivals they sing the whole service. Five of the older ones went to the Presentation service at St. Mary's, Quaker Meadows, on April 24, and sent \$33.00 toward the Mite Box offering from their group.

#### **CHURCH OF THE ASCENSION, HICKORY**

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Church, Hickory, are divided into two groups, a Senior and Junior group. The two groups meet for supper every Sunday evening at the Rectory, following which the groups meet for a program, consisting of devotions, a study of some topic, and games. During Lent they studied China and the Book of Common Prayer. During the year the various members take part of the program.

As their project for this year, the groups have taken on the job of furnishing the Rector's study in the new church. Thus far, they have raised three hundred dollars. They gave \$29.00 to missions last year, and at a recent meeting of the Woman's Auxiliary the Young People presented the program.

#### **ST. JAMES, HENDERSONVILLE**

The Young Churchmen of St. James, Hendersonville, have recently reorganized and now have a rapidly growing group, the ages from 11 to 20. The officers elected are: Ernestine Medd, President, Arthur Shepherd, Vice-President, Nancy Sterling, Secretary and Treasurer. The adult advisors for this group are Miss Julia Fisher and Miss Mary Turner.

Meetings are held every Sunday evening, opening with the evening service at 5:30. Two of the young people take part in this service each week. A light supper is served by the St. James Volunteer group, after which the business meeting and program follow. A recreation program consisting of ping-pong, games and quizzes concludes the program.

On Youth Sunday the Young Churchmen had their Corporate Communion at the 11 o'clock service. The group has as their main projects the Junior Choir, and also, learning how they can be of service to the Church as a group or individually. They all hope to be at Camp Patterson this year and are looking forward to it.

#### **HOLY CROSS, TRYON**

Holy Cross Church, Tryon, organized a Junior GFS branch in November and now has twenty most active members. In February the girls gave an excellent performance of a Chinese missionary play for the regular meeting of the Wo-

man's Auxiliary; the outcome of this was that they gained a number of Sponsors from among the women.

On the first Friday in Lent fourteen of the girls formed a Youth Verse Chorus and took part in the World Day of Prayer Service conducted by Tryon Council of Church Women. Two GFS-ers took up the offering at this service.

On Friday, May 6th GFS had a Once Upon A Time Exhibit in the Parish House for which they charged admission. Antique dolls, books and toys were exhibited, the girls modelled old time dresses, sang songs and did skits. The general reaction of the audience was that they should repeat the performance and charge more for admission.

GFS supports a missionary who teaches English in a college in China and also organizes GFS branches. Most of the \$50 raised by the Exhibit will be sent to help on this GFS Mission Object.

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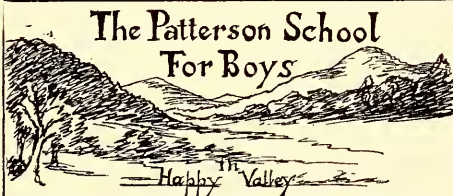
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The book in its entirety is hand-done and photographed. Stephens Press of Asheville handled the lithography. This book was received from the printer the first of August and sold so well that the printer's bill of almost \$300 was completely paid within two months. Since that time the Rector's Guild has cleared over \$300 on this project. Copies of The Rector's Guild Cook Book may be obtained by writing The Rector's Guild, Box 765, Waynesville, N. C. Copies are \$1.00 each.

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## Religion

Once upon a time, Satan asked his helpers to propose ways and means of breaking up a revival meeting on earth.

One said: "I would tell the people that there is no God, no devil, no heaven, no hell, and that they should eat, drink, and be merry, for tomorrow we die."

"You need not go," said Satan. "No one would believe you."

Another imp, shrewder, said: "Let me go and tell them that the Bible is a good book, but that it is only partially true. I would tell them there is a God and a heaven, but no devil and no hell; that no matter how they live they will be eternally happy."

But Satan said: "Only a minority would believe that."

Finally the shrewdest imp said: "I would tell them the Bible is all true, that they must make a choice between God and Satan, but there is no hurry."

"Go," said Satan. "You have the system."

—*Christian Action.*

## Report of W. N. C. Committee on Boundaries

In January a committee from the Diocese met with similar committees in the other two dioceses in the state for a discussion of the possibility of changes in the present diocesan boundaries. The report of the W. N. C. committee was presented at that time and was published in the July issue of East Carolina's diocesan paper, "The Mission Herald." Reprinted below is the report as it appeared in that issue.

Although the claims of the Diocese of Western North Carolina for cession of territory from the Diocese of North Carolina may not in the historical sense be as real as those of East Carolina, they nevertheless are quite as sound from the practical point of view. It is manifest that W. N. C. is the weakest of the three Dioceses within the State of N. C. It was founded as a missionary district in 1895 and composed largely of that portion of the State not wanted by its Mother Diocese. For some time it was a missionary field of the General Church. It still has within its borders perhaps the greatest missionary challenge and opportunity of any section within the State. It became a Diocese in 1922, but has never been strong enough to meet its obligations adequately. Although it recently has come to the status of self-support, it has done so under strict limitations such as we believe do not exist within the other two Dioceses of the State.

We do not think it presumption on our part to ask our Mother Diocese to give us aid which she is able now to give. We want her to be proud of her child, and to give her the opportunity to go forward beside her and grow on equal terms. We therefore respectfully request that necessary steps be taken for a vote as to cession of the counties of Mecklenburg, Iredell, Yadkin, and Surry. This would obviously give W. N. C. (the weakest Diocese, we again remind you) the largest City in the

State along with three contiguous counties similar to much of W. N. C. We offer through this proposal, coupled perhaps with the possible cession of eastern counties asked for by East Carolina, a plan to give us three strong Dioceses within our State and also ample Episcopal supervision without the necessity for a coadjutor in any one of the three. We believe contacts between the counties we ask for and our present Diocese would be mutually beneficial, cordial,

and natural.

The cession for which we ask would mean addition to W. N. C., and consequent loss to N. C. of 2,824 communicants, 8 clergy, 14 parishes and missions, \$16,308.32 in missionary giving, \$3,180.11 in support of the Episcopate, and total receipts of \$141,677.83. For the moment assuming this cession and also the cession asked for by East Carolina, comparative statistics of the three Dioceses would be:

	NORTH CAROLINA	EAST CAROLINA	WESTERN N. CAROLINA
Communicants	10,465	11,530	7,653
Clergy	51	53	40
Receipts Church's Program	\$41,744.66	\$99,695.78*	\$27,522.56
Receipts for Episcopate	\$10,128.21	\$6,531.96	\$7,510.30
Total Receipts	\$595,491.92**	\$335,733.21**	\$370,565.54

\* Includes \$5,954.93 Reconstruction and Advance Fund in E. C. Journal, around \$12,000.00 Episcopal maintenance carried under a lumping of receipts, other items such as \$3,500.00 Good Shepherd Hospital.

\*\* Does not include shift of receipts from N. C. to E. C. in proposed territory to be ceded E. C.; suggest this be done by somebody knowing this territory better! The only financial missionary "liability" we find in the four counties we ask for is \$638.06 to Rector of Trinity, Statesville, for work at St. James', Iredell County.

Whatever the outcome of these conversations may be, it is the intention of our delegation to go home and work harder for the advancement of Christ's Kingdom within that portion of His vineyard committed to us. We honestly believe the work of the Church would be furthered and benefitted by the cession we purpose not only in W. N. C., but also in the entire three Dioceses. In any event we are ready to work with whatever we have, believing it is God-given. We believe that by God's grace the Church is going forward throughout North Carolina as a whole, and more especially the Western portion wherein it is our privilege to labor.

Respectfully submitted,  
C. G. Leavell, Secy. W. N. C.  
"Borderline Committee."

## CHURCH MAY CHANGE NAME

Toronto—A proposal that the Church of England in Canada change its name is being considered by the Church's General Synod meeting in Halifax. The proposal is supported by the Rt. Rev. William T. Hallam, Bishop of Saskatoon, who declared that "our present title has led to misunderstanding both in England and Canada. Among suggested new names Bishop Hallam said, were "Anglican Church of Canada, Catholic Church of Canada, and Episcopal Church of Canada."

# Received By The Diocese of Western North Carolina From Parishes and Missions

January 1st, 1949, to July 27th, 1949

<i>On Assessment For Support Of The Diocese Made</i>	<i>Paid</i>	<i>PARISHES</i>	<i>On Quota For Support Of Program Of The Church Accepted</i>	<i>Paid</i>
\$1,315.00	\$ 660.00	Asheville, Trinity -----	\$ 2,510.00	\$ 2,144.92
322.00	234.55	Asheville, St. Mary's -----	615.00	651.08
109.00	50.00	Asheville, St. Matthias' -----	208.00	117.25
1,170.00	487.50	Biltmore, All Souls' -----	2,252.00	1,020.18
219.00	130.00	Brevard, St. Philip's -----	417.00	194.33
130.00	130.00	Flat Rock, St. John's -----	250.00	250.00
398.00	199.02	Fletcher, Calvary -----	759.00	553.65
410.00	205.02	Gastonia, St. Mark's -----	775.00	479.00
370.00	135.00	Hendersonville, St. James' -----	707.00	379.12
334.00	62.65	Hickory, Ascension -----	637.00	234.32
253.00	105.40	Lenoir, St. James' -----	482.00	252.31
216.00	54.00	Lincolnton, St. Luke's -----	412.00	131.50
234.00	134.00	Marion, St. John's -----	445.00	175.25
580.00	580.00	Morganton, Grace -----	1,346.00	747.00
358.00		Rutherfordton, St. Francis' -----	684.00	16.00
729.00	425.25	Tryon, Holy Cross -----	1,391.00	811.50
170.00	125.00	Waynesville, Grace -----	323.00	165.00
103.00	51.50	Wilkesboro, St. Paul's -----	196.00	98.00
\$7,420.00	\$3,862.89	TOTAL -----	\$14,389.00	\$ 8,420.39

## MISSIONS

68.00	34.00	Arden, Christ School -----	85.00	42.00
89.00		Asheville, The Redeemer -----	110.00	6.53
36.00	29.00	Asheville, St. Luke's -----	68.00	51.00
31.00	31.00	Asheville, Trinity Chapel -----	60.00	38.50
30.00	30.00	Bat Cave, Transfiguration -----	57.00	57.00
10.00		Beaver Creek, St. Mary's -----	12.00	
34.00	39.00	Bessemer City, St. Andrew's -----	47.00	24.46
117.00		Black Mountain, St. James -----	224.00	10.40
30.00		Blowing Rock, Stringfellow M. -----	37.00	
48.00	48.00	Boone, St. Luke's -----	99.00	99.00
114.00	114.00	Canton, St. Andrew's -----	218.00	228.00
10.00		Cullowhee, St. David's -----	12.00	
19.00		Edneyville, St. Paul's -----	36.00	20.53
98.00	48.00	Franklin, St. Agnes -----	183.00	108.94
110.00	6.50	Franklin, St. Cyprian's -----	12.00	23.64
10.00	10.00	Glen Alpine, St. Paul's -----	17.00	21.73
13.00		Glendale Springs, Holy Trinity -----	12.00	
10.00	10.00	High Shoals, St. John's -----	12.00	12.00
80.00	80.00	Highlands, Incarnation -----	154.00	154.00
10.00	10.00	Hot Springs, St. John's -----	12.00	12.00
20.00	20.00	Legerwood, Chapel of Rest -----	80.00	80.00
10.00	10.00	Lincolnton, St. Cyprian's -----	12.00	12.00
26.00	26.00	Lincoln, Woodside, Our Saviour -----	49.00	25.00
20.00		Little Switzerland, Resurrection -----		
12.00		Morganton, St. Mary's -----	60.00	19.03
12.00		Morganton, St. Stephen's -----	12.00	8.87
23.00	23.00	Murphy, Messiah -----	44.00	44.00
41.00	41.00	Rutherfordton, St. Gabriel's -----	79.00	
10.00		Saluda, Transfiguration -----	35.00	
95.00	95.00	Shelby, The Redeemer -----	182.00	101.54
22.00		Sylva, St. John's -----	42.00	
10.00		Todd, St. Matthew's -----	12.00	12.00
67.00	52.25	Valle Crucis, Holy Cross -----	134.00	95.87
24.00		Asheville, Grace -----	46.00	5.46
10.00		Cashiers, Good Shepherd -----	10.00	
10.00	10.00	Cherokee, St. Francis of Assisi -----	12.00	12.00
8.00		Linville, All Saints -----	12.00	12.00
22.00	22.00	Penand, Good Shepherd -----	42.00	75.61
10.00		Rutherfordton Missions -----		
12.00		Tryon, Good Shepherd -----	12.00	
		Upward, St. John Baptist -----	60.00	8.75
\$1,332.00	\$ 786.75	TOTAL -----	\$ 2,402.00	\$ 1,408.86
\$8,752.00	\$4,649.64	GRAND TOTAL -----	\$16,791.00	\$ 9,829.25

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# The Great Thanksgiving

*By The Rev. R. E. Gribbin*

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Although the world Holy Eucharist is employed only once in the Prayer Book (first rubric page 574) as a name for the service Christ instituted in the night in which He was betrayed, it is used more than any other term for that service except the "Holy Communion". Eucharist is a Greek word meaning Thanksgiving. Since the Catechism sets forth as one of the requirements for coming to the Lord's Supper "a thankful remembrance of his (Christ's) death", it is easily understood why so often the thanksgiving character of the Holy Communion is stressed, and why this ancient name for the service is so frequently used.

Perhaps at one time the thought uppermost in the mind and heart of the communicant is that of spiritual hunger coming to have that hunger satisfied; another time desire for fellowship with God and man might be the special intention; and at another occasion he may wish to open his heart in thanksgiving to God for what He has done in Christ. The General Thanksgiving states that "above all" we are to thank God "for thine inestimable love in the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ; for the means of grace, and for the hope of glory".

Many who have made a careful study of the history of Christian worship and how the theology of the Church has been incorporated into the liturgy (and has not in some instances) feel that in the Eucharist it is improper to place so much emphasis upon the Passion and the Atonement of Christ to the exclusion almost of the memorial of the other acts included in the Incarnation. In fact, to the writer, the offering of the Eucharist should include Thanksgiving for the entire work of the Trinity—Creation, Redemption and Sanctifica-

tion. The thought might well be expressed in the Obsecrations (second and third petitions in the Litany on page 55, beginning with "By"). Instead of saying, or thinking to himself "By" as in the Litany the worshipper could substitute "For" and respond "We thank thee, O Lord." The earliest known text or the fixed part of the Eucharist (found in the Apostolic Tradition of Hippolytus, about the year 217) shows thanksgiving for the whole ministry of Christ, including the invocation of the Holy Spirit.

The candles at each end of the altar are called "Eucharistic candles" because ordinarily they are lighted only at a celebration of the Eucharist. They remind us of the Light of the World. They should remind us too of the test of thanksgiving is in "thanksgiving"; that it is not alone with our lips how we show our gratitude to God for his great gifts to men. The way we use our gifts, material and spiritual, is the best indication of our thanksgiving. Let our light so shine before men by consecrating God's gifts to us to his honor and glory. Let us lift up our hearts. Let us give thanks.

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## SERVICES HELD REGULARLY IN SALUDA

Services were held each Sunday at The Transfiguration, Saluda, during the summer months. Messrs. Allen Jones and Gordon Thomas, lay readers, aided by the Rev. Lawrence Harkness, served through June. During the whole month of July, the Rev. Allen Clarkson, rector of Good Shepherd Church, Augusta, Georgia, was in charge of services. In August the Rev. C. E. B. Robinson of York, S. C., had charge of some of the services.



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# The Ideal Layman

*By a Priest*

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"T'ain't necessarily so!" seems a good way to start such an article. The ideal layman is not necessarily the largest contributor to the budget. He is not necessarily the most active man in the parish. He is not necessarily in attendance at every service. He is very likely to be all three of these, but, in that case, it is because he is the ideal layman and not that he has become ideal through these things.

The ideal layman is one who has discovered the profound truth that Holy Church is his mother. He looks to Mother Church for all those things that a child needs: love, nourishment, discipline, advice, forgiveness, solace, strength, encouragement. He is not "goody-goody," but errs daily as any normal child errs with the full knowledge that, though mother may scold,

she will forgive and love. He accepts discipline and even punishment from Mother Church like an erring child, resentful at first, but finally loving Her, because She is his Mother.

In actual practice a not-too-pious individual would not more stay away from the Eucharist on Sunday than he would miss a regular meal at home; who would no more think of remaining away from the Church because he had sinned, than he would think of leaving his mother and father because of some wrong he had done them; who would no more think of not supporting the church, than he would think of leaving his own mother and father starving and destitute.

That is the ideal layman! The man who treats the church in every way as an average man treats the best possible mother.

—*The Diocesan Bulletin.*

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## Figures Show Serious Clergy Shortage

In 87 dioceses of the Church there are 1,023 openings for clergy which cannot be filled, according to statistics recently compiled by the Rev. Joseph Fletcher of the Episcopal Theological School.

His report says that the current trend indicates that 2,141 clergymen will be needed in these dioceses during the next five years but present facilities and application will not produce more than 1,000 trained clergymen during the same period.

Part of the reason for the clergy shortage, Dr. Fletcher says, lies in the fact that the average salary for the Episcopal clergy equals that of a bus driver, and that the retirement pension for clergy averages less than the payments made by the Government to the aged poor.

## ST. GABRIEL'S LEAGUE MEETING WITH SUCCESS

The young peoples group which has been recently formed at St. Gabriel's Church, Rutherfordton, is being very well attended. Interest seems to be running high in all activities of the League. It is expected that four of the young people will be confirmed soon.

During August a Bible School was conducted by Bishop Gribbin who had been supplying St. Francis' Church during the summer.

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## UTO OFFERING ON WAY UP

In 1946 the women of the Diocese of Western North Carolina gave \$10,000 as their United Thank Offering. This high figure will be well surpassed when the Fall ingathering report is made, for already there is on hand \$10,297.60 which has been given in the last triennium.

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# Students From Valle Crucis Work In The Diocese

*By Rev. E. D. Butt*

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A good rule, it is said, works both ways, and this precept has been demonstrated this summer in connection with the students of the Southern Rural Church Institute at Valle Crucis. The Diocese of Western North Carolina provides a place and much of the resources for the operation of the Institute, and in return the majority of the students work in the Diocese for a good part of the summer. After the three-week period of instruction, the students are sent to do their field work under some priest working in the town-country field for a period of seven weeks. This year fifteen of the twenty-four students were assigned work in Western North Carolina, and the results of their efforts have been most gratifying.

In their field work the students enter into all the activities of a rural parish under the direction of the clergyman under whom they are placed. Their work includes holding services, preaching, pastoral visitations, survey of the field, church school work, choir work, youth work, assisting in preaching missions, community recreation, holding daily vacation church schools, visiting in hospitals and other institutions, using audio-visual aids, publicity work, meeting with church organizations, speaking over the radio, social service work, and manual labor on church buildings and grounds. This year students were assigned as follows: to the Rev. W. C. Leach for the Valle Crucis field, four students, and one student for Boone and Beaver Creek; to Mr. Wiese for work in Happy Valley, two students, one of whom also held services in Wilkesboro; to Mr. Lackey at Lenoir, one student; to Mr. Leavell for Morganton, Quaker Meadows and St. Paul's Church, Burke County, three students; and to the Rev. Rufus Morgan for work in his field, four students, one for Sylva, one for

Murphy, and two for Cherokee and Cartoogachey.

In the Valle Crucis field services were held at Valle Crucis, Banner Elk and St. John's Church on the Watauga River. Vacation Schools were held at Valle Crucis and at St. John's. At Boone services were held regularly and work done among the college students at the state teachers' college there. There were baptisms. A confirmation class was presented. Students assisted in finishing the quanset hut parish hall, and in painting St. John's Church.

In Happy Valley the students assisted with the Diocesan youth camp, held a bible school at the Buffalo Negro Church, and held services regularly at the Chapel of Rest. Services were held regularly in Wilkesboro, and pastoral calling done there.

At Lenoir the student helped to organize the Vacation School, held services during August while the Rector was on vacation, and spoke for a week on the family devotional hour on the radio.

At Morganton Vacation Schools were held at Grace Church, Negro Church and at Quaker Meadows. Chapel services were held at the local hospital.

In the Franklin field, the student at Sylva organized and presented a class for confirmation, under the direction of Mr. Morgan. Bible schools were held at Cherokee and Cartoogachey. At Murphy the student working with the resident student of the diocese made quite a few improvements on the building and ground, as well as the other work.

While making their contribution to the life of the Diocese, the students gain a great deal of insight into the life and work of the town or country church. It is hoped that through this means many will in the future give of their time and talents in working in the town-country field of the Church.

## Save When You Build

New York, N. Y.—Now that building materials are available again, the need for additional Episcopal churches, and improvements to existing ones, is receiving attention all over the country. A great deal of money is necessary for this construction work, and in many instances the finances of individual congregations are being taxed to the utmost. Consequently, such work should be done in a manner which will result in a minimum of expense for future upkeep.

When new buildings are erected, or existing ones effect major alterations, new fire insurance rates must be published by local rating organizations. The gentlemen employed by these bureaus are authorities on what local requirements exist, and are usually glad to help an assured review plans for construction work, and to offer suggestions on how the work should be done to produce the lowest possible rate. It is wise, therefore, for churches who are in this position to present their plans to the rating authorities, and to discuss their problems with them. Such discussions may result in minor changes in original plans which will produce a substantial saving in the future fire insurance rate.

After a building has been completed, it is often costly to correct conditions which do not meet with the approval of the rating board, but if the requirements of the board are met in the original plans, then expense is cut to a minimum, as well as the cost of the insurance.

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## Report Compares Church School Figures

The Methodist Church ranks first in numbers of church schools and officers and teachers and number of pupils, according to statistics just released by the International Council of Religious Education.

The Episcopal Church ranks sixth in church membership with 2,160,277 members, according to the statistics. It ranks 10th in the number of church schools, 12th in the number of officers and teachers and 13th in the number of pupils.

The figures show that the Episcopal Church has 4,851 church schools, 51,455 officers and teachers, and 423,873 pupils. The Methodist Church, with 8,567,772 members, has 4,871,983 pupils.

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## BISHOP FLIES PLANE

Fairbanks, Alaska—The Bishop of the Episcopal Missionary District of Alaska, the Rt. Rev. William J. Gordon, Jr., will make his long-distance visitations by airplane in the future. The Bishop has acquired a small Piper Super Cruiser plane and has learned to fly it. He will be the only Bishop of this Church to fly his own plane on official visitations.

Bishop Gordon commented that "one is called upon to learn a good many things when serving the Church in Alaska." When he came to Alaska six years ago he had never seen a dogteam. Since then he has covered some 6,000 miles by dog sled, during five Arctic winters. He said too, that he found that to visit river missions it was necessary to use a launch, so he learned to operate the boat, "Godspeed," covering 3400 miles on visitations last summer.



## Survey Of Church Planned

A survey of the Episcopal Church in North Carolina is being made by W. S. Powell of the State Department of Archives and History, Raleigh. Questionnaires are being sent to the clergy of all parishes now active in the State as well as to persons known to have in their custody records of inactive churches.

As a result of this survey a report will be prepared showing the present condition of the records of our Church and advising those interested just what records exist for each parish. When such a record has been made the next logical step will be the preparation of a detailed history of the Church in North Carolina. It will be appreciated if information pertaining to inactive parishes can be forwarded to Mr. Powell so that these records can be established.



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## General Convention Advance

Proposed program plans for seizure of new opportunities in overseas missionary areas—stress on Evangelism at home—enlargement of work in Christian Education and Social Relations.

Convention meets in San Francisco September 26-October 7.

This is the supreme legislative body of the Church, meeting like the Congress of the United States, in two Houses. Legislation must be approved by both Houses before becoming the law of the Church. San Francisco's second General Convention will coincide with the Centenary of the Days of '49, and the 100th anniversary of the founding of the first Episcopal parish on the Coast, Trinity, San Francisco.

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Meeting concurrently with the General Convention in the Triennial Meeting of the Woman's Auxiliary, and during the Convention period, there is to be a Youth Convention, and a Laymen's Weekend under the auspices of the Presiding Bishop's Committee on Laymen's Work, of which Harvey Firestone, Jr., is Chairman.

The great opening service of the Convention, which previously has been attended by as many as 25,000 people, is to be in the Civic Auditorium, San Francisco, on Monday, September 26, at 10:30 A. M. The opening part of the service will be by the Rt. Rev. E. A. Penick, Bishop of North Carolina and vice-chairman of the House of Bishops. The Lessons will be read by the Secretaries of the two Houses, a traditional custom. The Rev. C. Rankin Barnes of New York, formerly rector of St. Paul's Church, San Diego, Calif, is Secretary of the House of Deputies, the Rev. John H. Fitzgerald of Brooklyn, is Secretary of the House of Bishops. The sermon will be preached by Presiding Bishop Henry Knox Sherrill, and the closing part of the service and the Benediction will be by the former Presiding Bishop, the Rt. Rev. Henry St. George Tucker.

Expected guests at the Opening Service are the Archbishop of York, the Supreme Bishop of the Philippine Independent Church, the Presiding Bishop of the Nippon Sei Ko Kwei (Holy Catholic Church) of Japan, the Primate of All Canada, and others.

The business sessions of the Convention will transact a great deal of routine business, hear and act upon many reports. Attention will be given to the Church Pension Fund, aiming at development of plans whereby pensions for retired clergymen and their widows may be put more in line with present living costs. Another major subject will be Christian Education, for which a greatly increased budget will be proposed. This leads to consideration of the whole budget of the Church's National Coun-

cil, which will be much larger than previously presented to the Convention, in view of the many opportunities at home and abroad for effective Christian work and service.

Another pressing subject is the shortage of clergy in the Episcopal Church, and the support and expansion of theological seminaries.

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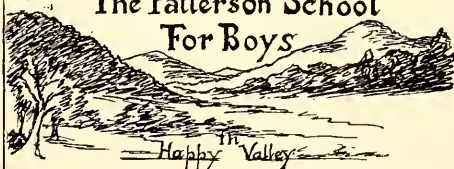
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## A Great Heritage

*(An Editorial from The Charlotte Observer)*

The Anglican communions, which are now celebrating the 400th anniversary of the Book of Common Prayer, are observing the compilation of a work that, considered purely as literature, is the heritage, not only of the Anglican Churches, but of the whole English-speaking world.

For, as literature, the Book of Common Prayer is no more sectarian than the Book of Psalms. Indeed, many of its rolling sentences, which, by the very majesty of the language, lift one above mundane trivialities and into the spiritual realm, are taken almost bodily from the Psalms of David.

The Prayer Book, as it is commonly called, is not the product of any one writer or even of any one age; it grew, rather, through the centuries out of the hopes and aspirations of the English people. Those familiar with its history can trace through certain phrases in the Litany, in the Order for Holy Communion, and in the Morning Prayers,

the long struggle of England and the English-speaking world for religious liberty.

As the growth of centuries, therefore, it is a distillation of the finest prose that has been written in English. Hundreds of prayers were written in that time, but only those that went to the hearts of the people, gave voice to their mute longings, put into words that which they felt deeply but could not express—only those that were written for all times and for all men were worthy of inclusion in the prayer book.

As a result, Roger Taine, the French scholar who wrote the greatest history of English literature, observed that, when all of England went to church on Sunday morning and joined in the solemn and elevated language, the measured cadences of the Litany, it was like the recitation of a national poem.

It is a poem that all can understand, for, in spite of its epic style, it talks the language of the people; it abounds in words of one syllable; it abhors the abstruse and clings to the simple. In that simplicity lies the key to its greatness.

Last Sunday six thousand people knelt in the Cathedral of St. John the Divine in New York to begin the celebration by repeating those deathless phrases, age old, yet somehow always new.

## Patterson School

Like many priests and laymen of his day, Samuel Patterson saw the need for educating youth in schools which taught the Christian way of life. To this end he made possible the founding of Patterson School which has rendered such notable service to the Diocese for forty years.

Should we be content with just lauding founder and past leaders, Malcolm Taylor, Alfred Lawrence and Hugh Dobbin? Are we to tell George Wiese that Patterson must continue with token financial support from the Diocese? We can do more. We can attend the Field Day and give generously to Patterson School.

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# Confirmation, A Study

*By The Rt. Rev. R. E. Gribbin*

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Few members of the Church have the privilege of taking part in a Confirmation Service more than once or twice a year. The expression "taking part" is used advisedly because Confirmation, like the other services of the Church, is a corporate act in which the laity as well as the clergy have their important part. Because the church member seldom participates in this service it seems advisable to set forth these few notes on Confirmation with the hope that Confirmation may mean more to those already confirmed and that the confirmed will be able to tell others about the significance of the service.

The Bible name of the service is "Laying on of Hands" (see top of page 296 of the Prayer Book). The first record of the service of laying on of hands is found in the passage from the 8th Chapter of the Acts of the Apostles, page 296 of the prayer book, which is usually read in the Confirmation Service. The Apostles Peter and John were sent by their fellow Apostles from Jerusalem down to Samaria. Peter and John prayed for those in Samaria who had been baptized that they might receive the Holy Ghost, and following that prayer they laid their hands on them and they received the Holy Ghost. In the 19th Chapter of the Acts of the Apostles there is a record of St. Paul in the City of Ephesus, laying his hands on some men who had just been baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus. They received the Holy Ghost. In Hebrews VI, vs. 1 and 2, the laying on of hands is declared to be one of the six principles of the doctrine of Christ. These are the only references in the Bible to the laying on of hands in connection with Confirmation. However, some of the passages mentioning anointing and the seal of the spirit are regarded as indicating Confirmation.

The confirmed renews the promises made at his baptism. This act, as well as the promise to follow Christ, is preliminary to Confirmation, but very important. It is of interest that to follow Christ is placed in the duty of a member of the Church (Prayer Book p. 291). The Office of Instruction, p. 291, states that the receiving of the strengthening gifts of the Holy Spirit will help the member of the Church to fulfill his bounden duty—follow Christ, to worship God every Sunday in His Church; and to work and pray and give for the spread of His kingdom.

The essence of this service is the receiving of the strengthening gifts of the Holy Spirit. The initial gifts of Baptism are completed, and the Christian is strengthened for his daily warfare.

The versicles on p. 297 come from the Psalms. The corporate act of Confirmation is first indicated in the middle of p. 297, where the Bishop says "Let Us Pray". This prayer has been used since at least the year 375, and has been in its English form over 400 years.

The prayer for the manifold (seven gifts of grace) is based on Isaiah XI, though it should be noted that we find only six of these gifts in the Authorised and Revised versions of the Bible. The Vulgate and the Septuagint list the seven gifts.

The blessing of the Bishop as he places his hands on the head of each person emphasizes the confirmand's continuing relationship with God and his daily increase in the Holy Spirit.

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## 40th Anniversary Field Day Saturday, October 29

At Patterson School in Happy Valley

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On September 6, Patterson School opened its fortieth consecutive session with an enrollment of 60 students. Since its founding by bequest to the Missionary District of Asheville (now the Diocese of Western North Carolina) of his home and lands by the Hon. Samuel Legerwood Patterson, the school has been devoted to the values of Christianity and offered a high type of practical and theoretical education at a low cost. In the forty years since its opening on September 29, 1949, the school under the direction of the Rev. Mr. Taylor, the Rev. Hugh A. Dobbin, and Mr. George F. Wiese has seen buildings erected, changes and improvements take place, boys grow into men, and always the worship of God, the work on farm and in forest, and classroom learning has gone hand in hand.

The value of the Patterson School of the past is seen in the lives of the men who received their training here and now hold places of service in many walks of life. Today we sometimes wonder if a Church farm school still fills a need. Believing that it does and that at no other time has the effort to build character and train the spiritual life of our future citizens been more important, the Patterson School on this fortieth anniversary is looking forward to further expansion. The long-term plan includes doubling the number of boys who will enjoy the opportunities the school offers, completing the gymnasium which is being built by the labor of the boys and the contributions of friends, new dormitories, a memorial chapel, faculty houses, swimming pool, and a permanent camp.

Between the past and the future, in honor of Patterson's forty years, it is planned to hold a FIELD DAY on Saturday, October 29, designed to pass in review the work and teaching of Pat-

terson School and especially to show the products of the soil and its value to man. There will be tours of the school forest, dairy barn and milk house, fields, school buildings, exhibits of farm implements and school work, contests on the athletic field for one and all. There will be interesting speakers on agricultural topics. There will be a community fair in the gymnasium, to which friends and neighbors are invited to bring entries of anything of interest and value to rural life. In the afternoon Patterson School's team will play a game of football with Hildebran High School on its home field.

We should like to invite everyone who is interested in Patterson School, anyone interested in a school of the Episcopal Church, anyone interested in an agricultural and forestry school, anyone interested in a boy who might benefit from such a program as we offer,—parents, alumni, past or prospective students, Churchmen, friends—to enjoy the day with us. Bring a basket lunch which will be eaten, picnic style, on tables on the campus. The program will begin at 10 o'clock. The football game will begin at 2 that afternoon. Come and help us celebrate forty years for Church and country; come and see what Patterson School has done and hopes to do.

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### HICKORY RECTOR'S WIFE INJURED

Mrs. Robert B. Cambell, wife of the rector of the Church of the Ascension, Hickory, suffered an unfortunate injury to her foot in a fall. Mrs. Cambell was either entering or leaving the postoffice when the accident occurred. She was to have been a delegate from the diocese to the Triennial meeting of the Woman's Auxiliary in San Francisco.





## St. Stephens Mission Consecrated

**Bishop Henry of Diocese of Western  
North Carolina Holds Con-  
secration Services**

St. Stephen's Episcopal Mission, located on Bouchelle street near Catawba, was consecrated at 4:30 p. m. Sunday, August seventh. The Rt. Rev. M. G. Henry, D. D., Bishop of the Diocese of Western North Carolina, held the service of consecration.

St. Stephen's Mission, a Negro church, was built by the E. P. Dale Construction Co. following plans drawn up by Harry A. Boggs, architect. The Rev. C. G. Leavell is the priest-in-charge jointly with the Rev. Ven. James T. Kennedy who comes down from Asheville to hold services. The church building committee was composed of Fred O'Neill, chairman; Mrs. Augusta Scott Wilson, treasurer; Mrs. Kathleen Harbison Young; Mrs. Belle Happoldt.

According to the laws of the Episcopal church no church or chapel may be consecrated until it is fully paid for. In

addition to funds from the local St. Stephen's congregation and from the sale of the old St. Stephen's lot, considerable sums towards its erection were obtained from the National Council of the Episcopal church, from the Diocese of Western North Carolina, from Grace church, Morganton, and from the American Church Building and Commissions.

The church will seat about one hundred people. Under the chancel is a basement large enough to accommodate gatherings of an informal nature. In addition there are small rooms on either side of the chancel. The construction is based on cinder block, with stucco outside. The type of architecture is Gothic.

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### THY WILL, NOT MINE

When in the quietude of silent prayer,  
I lay before Thy feet a world of care  
And find my supplications with re-  
quests are fraught,

May I, Omniscient Father, heed but  
this one thought—

*Thy will be done, not mine.*

—By Mildred Lescarboursa Greene.

—*The Church News.*



## WOMAN'S AUXILIARY

We shall devote our page this month to our Diocesan Altar Guild!

Miss Virginia Green  
Saluda, North Carolina

Dear Miss Green:

Your report to the Woman's Auxiliary at Kanuga Conference was splendid. It was my first trip to Kanuga and I had a very fine time.

Perhaps you do not recall that I asked you for your name and address at that time and that I would seek information of you at a later time regarding the little church mission with which we are struggling here in Sylva. When Mr. Green and I moved to Sylva in October of last year it was difficult to learn if there was an Episcopal church here or its location. We found a small, sadly-needing-repair building, with a leaning cross and a congregation of two. Since last October we have painted the building, inside and out, for the first time in twenty-two years (at least that long according to the painter), had a new cross properly erected over the steeple, purchased a new wheel for the bell which could not be rung for fear of its falling, removed all the sparrow nests (about a truck load) from the ceiling which was dropping down plank by plank because of a leaking roof, and secured a new roof which was the gift of two doctors. An Auxiliary of eight members was organized in December. Its work has been to build and upholster kneeling benches, make cushions for the altar guild work. We begged from Otey Church in Sewanee, Tennessee (our home) vestments for one of our two lay readers.

Our financial status has been something like this: Last October the church was in debt the year's assessment to the Diocese, and owed a balance from two years previous of \$30.00 on the oil furnace. We assessed all the members we could possibly corral enough to pay

these debts. Our rummage sale netted \$212.00 and the Presbyterians who were also using the building donated \$50.00. We raised Mr. Morgan's pay \$5.00 on the month. We have purchased rug runners for the aisle and now have the money to buy a curtain to hang behind the altar.

There is much more to be done. We do not have a communion service or any linens. There is no brass except the cross for our altar and we have only two candlesticks which are wood. There is one set of hangings which we salvaged from the moths, which were dry cleaned free of charge, and which are sadly faded. In this connection I am writing you. We shall be grateful for any suggestions of raising funds, getting new members, a gift of linen or any of the other altar articles. We would especially like to have vestments for our other lay reader or organist, either new or used. I might say here, that most of our ladies do beautiful sewing and can and will make any linens or garments if they have the materials.

This week the Presbyterians are moving into their own new building making it possible to have Sunday morning services instead of the 4 P. M. services which we have been having. We hope to get the floors sanded this week. A student worker came from Valley Crucis last Friday and will be with us for about six weeks. We are hoping he will do a lot of visiting and perhaps we might even have a confirmation class as well as start a Sunday School.

Do come to see us if you are in the vicinity of Sylva. Mr. Green and I look forward to knowing your brother who is now the Vice-Chancellor of the University of The South. We shall meet him when we are visiting Mr. Green's family in Sewanee.

Yours in Christian Service,  
Mrs. Herman W. Green.

Dear Contributors:

Your response to the appeal for money with which to buy white hangings for the Chapel of The Transfiguration, at Kanuga Lake was so generous that I was able to buy for the chapel articles in addition to the altar hangings.

All of these things were badly needed by the chapel and after talking with Mr. Pinckney decided to buy first the stoles as per his suggestion—then having still more money I made the corporals as Miss Addison told me there were none.

I hope this meets with your approval and I deeply appreciate your interest and help.

Sincerely yours,  
Frances McLaren.

### **WINTERS ORDAINED DEACON**

September 8th, the Feast of the Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary according to ancient calenders, was the date of the ordination of Rhett Y. Winters to the Sacred Diaconate at the Church of the Transfiguration, Bat Cave. Since his graduation from the theological school at Alexandria, Va., Mr. Winters had been serving as lay reader in charge of the Church. He will continue there as deacon-in-charge.

Mr. Winters was ordained by Bishop M. George Henry, the preacher at the service being the Rev. David Yates, rector of the Chapel of the Cross, Chapel Hill, N. C. Mr. Winters had been a student member of his congregation during his undergraduate days at Chapel Hill.

After the service which was held in the presence of a full church, a luncheon was held in the parish house. At that time the Bishop introduced the newly ordained deacon informally to the guests.

The only diocesan clergy present were the Rev. Messrs. Tuton, Lambert, Sill, Saylor, Capers, Jenkins, Rossmassler and Leach. In the interest of accurate reporting, it must be said that the last named arrived very late.

### **"KEY MEN" OF DIOCESE MEET**

Bishop Henry and Mr. A. B. Stoney, "Key man" for the Diocese in the Pre-

siding Bishop's work for Laymen of the Church, held successful meetings for the two convocations the first and second of September. Out of twenty-four men to attend (one from each parish or mission) twenty-three attended in the Convocation of Asheville; fifteen out of a possible eighteen attended in the Convocation of Morganton. Plans were made at these meetings for increasing the work of laymen within the congregations of the Diocese, with a special emphasis on evangelism.

A Diocesan-wide meeting of laymen is being planned for November 9th, to be held in the Community Building, Morganton. Mr. Jim Smith, of Birmingham, Alabama, is to be the chief speaker. Mr. Smith is Provincial Chairman for laymen's work, and is described by Mr. Stoney as "a ball of fire."

The Executive Council and the Department of Missions have approved plans which are now under way for the beginning of a new mission, which it is hoped will soon become a parish, in the fast-growing section of the See City known as "West Asheville."

The next step is a meeting to be held at the Diocesan House on October 24th with the Rectors of the three Asheville parishes and certain laymen from each of these parishes. Bishop Henry and a representative from the Executive Council will meet with this group and discuss plans for a survey of West Asheville.

### **FORMER EDITOR SEEN BRIEFLY**

The Rev. Dudley Stroup, a former editor of the **HIGHLAND CHURCHMAN** and sometime priest in charge of missions in Asheville, was seen in a procession of two hundred other priests at the Cathedral of St. John the Divine. The occasion of Fr. Stroup's appearance was the first of many congresses being held throughout the nation by the American Church Union, the purpose being to give thanks for the gift of the Book of Common Prayer. Excluding the present editor, there were 5999 people in the congregation.

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## Convention Plans For Youth

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The Convention of Young Churchmen of the Diocese is to be held at Trinity Church, Asheville, October 21st and 22nd. The tentative program is as follows:

4-6 P. M.: Registration in Trinity Parish House.

6:30 P. M.: Supper.

Welcome and Response.

"The Rule of Life", the Rev. Hopkins Weston, St. Andrew's Church, Greenville, S. C.

8:00 P. M.: Evening Prayer. Sermon by the Rt. Rev. M. G. Henry, D. D. Recreation.

10:15 P. M.: Preparation Service, the Rev. W. C. Leach, Chairman of Youth Commission.

Saturday, October 22nd:

8:00 A. M.: Holy Communion.

10:00 A. M.: Business Session: Roll Call, Minutes, Old Business, New Business, Nominations.

Lunch.

Election of Officers. Adjournment.

All young people of the Diocese are urged to attend. If you plan to attend, write "Hospitality Committee", Trinity Church, Church and Aston Sts., Asheville, N. C., and reservations will be made to take care of you overnight.

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## Provincial Youth Meeting

The Provincial Youth Convention met August the first through the sixth at the Dubose Conference Center in Mont-eagle, Tennessee, with delegates from the Dioceses of South Florida, Atlanta, Alabama, Louisiana, Mississippi, South Carolina, North Carolina, Tennessee, Kentucky, Lexington, Western North Carolina, and Upper South Carolina present.

This Conference is held annually with the purpose of promoting the interest of young people in the responsibilities of the Church. Different "work-shops" were held in the afternoons dealing with finances, program-building, visual aids, and many other subjects,—the topics being particularly chosen to show the different ways youth can help in the spread of Christ's Kingdom.

Each morning lectures and discussions were held at which time matters concerning the life of Christ, the Church,

and religion were openly discussed and the different ideas and views on the matters presented.

New officers were elected to the Provincial Youth Commission. All delegates seemed determined to go back to their Dioceses and present the different ideas and plans suggested at the Convention.

Western North Carolina had a full delegation at this Convention in the person of the Diocesan President, Vice-President, and Secretary, Mary Aston Leavell, of Grace, Morganton, David Reid, of Trinity, Asheville, and Sally Goodyear, of Holy Cross( Tryon.

Mary Aston Leavell was re-elected to the Provincial Youth Commission and later elected Vice-Chairman of the Province to serve with Philip Pocher, Diocese of South Carolina, Chairman, and Barbara Barker, Diocese of Atlanta, Secretary.

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Mr. Robert W. Twitty, Chairman and Treasurer of the Marion Manufacturing Co., has been appointed "Key Man" for St. John's for the Presiding Bishop's Committee for Laymen's work.

St. John's will go on the air over Station WBRM, Marion, for the first time on the first Sunday in October at eleven o'clock. During the week of October 10th, the Rector will broadcast for the "Devotional Hour", Monday through Friday, from nine until nine-fifteen, over the same station. This "Devotional Hour" is a weekly feature sponsored by the McDowell Ministerial Association.

### BAPTIST CLERGYMAN NOW EPISCOPAL PRIEST

Syracuse, N. Y.—The Rev. Harold S. Knight, a 37-year-old former Baptist clergyman, was ordained to the priesthood of the Episcopal Church by the Rt. Rev. Malcolm E. Peabody, Bishop of Central New York, in St. Mark's Episcopal Church, Clark Mills, N. Y.

Mr. Knight has been in charge of St. Mark's Church, Clark Mills, and St. Peter's Church, Oriskany, first as lay reader, then as Deacon. In the Episcopal Church laymen may be commissioned by the Bishop to conduct certain Church services in the absence of a priest. Mr. Knight was ordained Deacon in January of this year.

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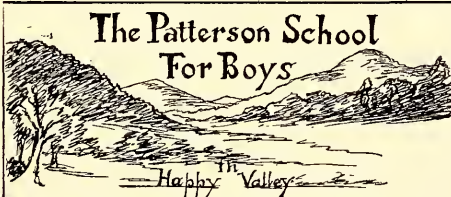
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## A Christmastide Fable

*By The Dean of Durham*

*(Reprint from CHURCH TIMES)*

When one is dealing with matters which are clearly beyond human comprehension, in the full sense of the word, it is perhaps desirable and certainly permissible to attempt to explain them by the method of fable. Let us see whether by this method we can throw some light on to the central mystery and Incarnation. It is an obvious metaphor to say that the purpose of creation was that there should arise from earth a song of praise to God the Creator which shall be in tune with the hymn which Cherubim and Seraphim continually utter in the celestial concert. It is clear that the earthly orchestra fails completely to fulfill its task, for its members fail either to keep time with one another or to watch for the conductor's beat, and even dispute the rights of any one conductor to direct their efforts. This failure is not unmarked in heaven and it inevitably grieves the Son of God, by whom all

things were made. So he, let it be imagined with all reverence, summons the Archangels to a conference. "This continual discord," he says, "is intolerable: something must clearly be done about it, for it seems at times as if they hardly so much as know the tune which they are trying to play." The Archangels naturally agree, and one of them, perhaps Michael, says: "Yes, sir, the discord is terrible: it sounds to me as if they were all trying to play tunes of their own, I quite agree that something ought to be done." And Christ says: "I think I will go down myself and teach them." At first the Archangels are all dismayed, but at last Michael says: "Yes, sir: I can see that that would impress them. If you came down like thunder and fire it would be bound to have a great effect. We all saw that an impression was made when that happened on Sinai, and of course you would take with you a great company of angels: how many legions are you thinking of, sir? Twelve, at least, I should hope." But Christ smiles and says: "No, Michael, I am thinking of going alone." Michael is startled, as well he might be, but after a moment he says: "Of course, sir, that would be a very noble gesture, and if you come flying on the wings of the wind it will be very impressive, too. You'll remember, sir, that old Irish song:

*On cherubim and seraphim  
Full royally he rode  
and on the wings of the winds  
Came flying all alone.*

Oh, yes, sir, I think that's a great idea." But Christ smiles again and says: "No, Michael, that wasn't quite what I had in mind. I think I will go down among them just as an ordinary man. You see," he went on, "they seem to have such strange ideas about Kingship, and Power and Glory. These kings of ssyria and Egypt are really terribly stupid: they seem to think that to raise great armies or build great pyramids is the way to show their greatness, and I feel they ought to be taught a lesson. I should like to show them

how silly and vulgar their ideas are: so I think I shall go down as a poor man's son." The Archangels are terribly shocked and murmur to one another: and at last one of them, bolder than the rest, says: "But forgive my saying it, sir, won't it be a great risk? Perhaps they may not recognize you and what will happen then?" "Some, no doubt, will not recognize me," answered Christ, "but others will, and it is on them that I shall rely." "But there may not be enough of them, sir," argues the Archangel, "you might be in real danger of your life." "That is a danger which I must face," says Christ, and he turns to Gabriel and tells him to go to Nazareth and prepare for his coming. And so to end our fable, he came. We know the rest of the story: we know that the fears of the Archangels were justified, and that his enemies were strong enough to put him to a shameful death. But

we know also that in a few short years of earthly life he set a standard for human life which the world has never been able to forget, showing to mankind that true royalty is shown in service, that true Glory lies in the most complete self-sacrifice and that the only ultimate Power in the world is the power of Love.

If you really think that that is a story which selfish men are likely to have invented as the central doctrine of religion, I can only say that you have a higher opinion of human nature than experience suggests to me. Let me add a sentence from an author of far greater learning and authority than myself, whose sanity of judgment few will dispute. "The birth of Christianity is unintelligible unless we believe that the historical Jesus impressed those who lived with him as God made manifest in the flesh."

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## Asheville Man To Catalog Church Portraits

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American church history is a topic claiming more and more attention from the scholars. A number of graduate students in the field of history, especially in the South, are doing research in that field, and feature stories in newspapers nearly always create an interest in the subject.

At the annual meeting of the Southern Historical Association in Williamsburg, Va., during the second week in November paper entitled "The Virginia Vestry: A Study in Political Responsibility" was read by Professor Kimbrough Owen of the Louisiana State University. Mr. Owen dealt with many of the early duties of the church vestry as well as the organization and the growth and decline of the colonial vestry

system itself. The discussion which followed the reading of this paper indicated that a lively interest had been created in the subject and that there is need for further study along this line.

A survey of the historical records of the Episcopal Church in North Carolina is now underway. Widespread interest in this project has already been shown by several students, an artist who wants to compile a catalogue of portraits now in the state, and numerous church people. Those knowing of parishes and missions whose records have not been listed for this survey are asked to contact William S. Powell, Department of Archives and History, Raleigh, N. C. A questionnaire prepared for this purpose will be sent to those desiring it.

## News Around The Diocese

### Hickory

The corner-stone of the new Ascension, Hickory, was laid Sunday afternoon, November 20th, by the Rt. Rev. M. G. Henry, D.D. Seventy-one years ago, on that same date, the corner-stone of the first church had been laid.

The Rector of Ascension, the Rev. Robert B. Campbell, acted as Master of Ceremonies at the impressive service attended by approximately four hundred persons. Extra chairs were placed in the aisles to accommodate the congregation in the new church which normally seats 350 persons. The Rev. Richard Lee, Rector of St. Luke's, Lincolnton, read the first lesson, and the Rev. Boston M. Lackey, Rector of St. James', Lenoir, read the second lesson. Mr. T. Manly Whitener, Junior Warden of Ascension, told of the contents of the Corner-stone which included a program of the service, a list of the members and officers of Ascension Church, and a copy of the Rev. Mr. Campbell's recent address on the building of the new church together with expressions of appreciation to those in Hickory who had made the new building possible.

Towards the close of the service Bishop Henry struck the Corner-stone three times and said:

"In the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost: I lay the Corner Stone of the Church of the Ascension erected to the service of God, and for the spreading of the Gospel, and the spiritual nourishment of His children, according to the use of that branch of His Holy Church, Catholic and Apostolic (commonly called the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America.)

Other foundation can no man lay than that is laid, even Jesus Christ Amen."

### St. John's, Marion

The addition to the church has been completed and is a great improvement.

The former porch is being made into a Baptistry which will contain a small altar with cross and candles. A new sandstone font is being given as a thank-offering. Twenty men of the Parish attended the meeting held in Morganton under the auspices of "The Presiding Bishop's Committee on Laymen's Work." One of the annual events in Marion is the Spaghetti Supper given by the Woman's Auxiliary in the Community Building. The limit is two hundred people. Possibly one hundred more tickets could have been sold so famous are the members of the Auxiliary for their spaghetti suppers.

### St. Mark's, Gastonia

St. Mark's has taken on new life since we have moved to our new church, which is Georgian Colonial in architecture with columned entrances at the front and on the Parish House side. The church furnishings are all white and walnut, with pale green walls and wine carpeting. Everyone has taken part in getting off to a good start and several members have made gifts to the church, such as the Altar, donated by Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Dawson, a new flag, given by Mrs. W. D. Lawson, Mrs. R. W. Langford, and Mrs. W. D. Anderson. The crosses over each entrance were given by Mr. W. L. Balthis, and the credence table by the Y.P.S.L. Mrs. George Cocker has donated our new organ which is being installed at the present time. Mr. R. W. Langford has been untiring in his efforts to beautify the grounds and in constructing cabinets and shelves for the Parish House, and Dr. and Mrs. P. L. Freeman have donated bookshelves for the minister's study. We are also to have a new oil heating unit installed at an early date.

Our first service in our new church was an 8 o'clock Holy Communion service on September 18. On October 23, Mr. Cravner conducted an interesting





*St Mark's Church, Gastonia*

and impressive service commemorating the 400th anniversary of the Prayer Book. On October 25, the Sunday School had a teachers' meeting and supper in the Parish House with the Reverend Mr. Lee, of Lincolnton, making the address. On October 30, the Y.P.S.L. were hosts to our interdenominational meeting of the young people's organizations, with a grand program and refreshments served in the Parish House. Our bazaar, which we hope will be bigger and better than ever before, will be held on November 30.

### **Extensive Building Program Underway at Hendersonville**

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Braznell have given St. James' Church \$15,000 which will be used to complete the Morning Chapel. The architect gives the following description of the Chapel:

"The Morning Chapel is of rural English parish church design. The walls will be of solid, coursed granite, with doors framed in carved limestone of simple English Gothic design. The window frames, tracery, buttress caps and finals are of the same limestone.

The Chapel interior will be finished with colorful crab orchard quartzite stone, and the ceiling will be molded oak beams and panels."

A contract has been let to build an additional room on the Parish House. When completed this new room and the Guild room will make one large room to be used for assemblies, suppers, and other gatherings. Work on the new room has already begun.

### **Bulletins Give Varied Parish News**

The weekly bulletin of Trinity Parish gives sidelights on life of a large parish. One issue tells of contribution consisting of an envelope containing money and two dental X-ray films. We've often heard that getting money is like pulling teeth, but Trinity seems to have come up with a new angle.

Mrs. Miriam Brown has been added to the parish staff as Parish Hostess and will be in charge of the kitchen and dining room.

On All Saints, at an evening service, special choral groups under the direction of Mr. William Privette gave a performance of Brahms Requiem.



## WOMAN'S AUXILIARY

### Worship Study Service Fellowship

For the next few months let us meditate on Highlights from the Triennial as reported by our delegates. This month Mrs. Wright and Mrs. Haden have furnished the material. Next month we shall hear from Mrs. Kemper, Mrs. Stoney, Mrs. Craven and Mrs. Capers.

Mrs. Wright reporting on "The Christian Advance in a Revolutionary World."

In this time of Revolutionary movement in the world, the Church, as it has done down through history, has been closely associated with social and political upheaval. The Church has made a steady advance in history, but it has become not a question of Christian Advance in the present revolutionary world, but a question of whether the Church can survive *at all in this world*.

In his address to the triennial meeting, The Rt. Rev. Stephen C. Neills, Assistant to the Archbishop of Canterbury, suggests five ways the church must take if it is to survive.

1. We must have a better understanding of the universe, we know there is a spiritual world, that eternity is more important than time, that loyalty, truth, justice, mercy are deepest realities of this life.

2. We must have a realistic understanding of the nature of man, that men by nature is sinful, and that most of the troubles of humanity comes from within the human heart.

3. We must realize our responsibility to society. The Church in its blindness to the need of peoples have allowed people outside the Church to step in and serve the need.

4. We need better discipline and devotion to our own cause. It is very

hard to sell a gospel to peoples of other nations when we do not accept it.

5. We must manifest a greater fellowship within the Church. Numbers of people have been turned away because of lack of fellowship and petty jealousies. "All advances in the end are marginal", concludes Bishop Neill.

There is only one way to Christian Advance in this revolutionary world, and that is in returning to Jesus.

In returning to Him, He will set our feet in an ordered path that in his own good time will truly "call us unto His Holy Fellowship".

Mrs. Haden reports:

"Bishop Sherrill was impressed with the awakened interest in Christian Education.

Unless we at home are inspired, this "new" day in Christian Education will remain just another program on paper.

New Christian Education program needs plenty of Top Sargents. We have the Commissioned officers and the privates, but we need many of you lay people to take voluntary training and be our Top Sargents.

Dr. Theodore P. Ferris, gave the members of the Triennial moments that will live with them always, as he led the series of meditations the second week.

"Called unto His Holy Fellowship"—the theme of the Triennial was certainly evident throughout the convention.

The Woman's Auxiliary of Japan sent this message: "Tell them we have hope—and faith."

We who stayed at home, know that the field is the world, but the roots are in the parishes. Therefore, let us hear eagerly the reports of our delegates from time to time during the next three years, and make our parishes stronger than ever.

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## Displaced Need Assurances

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The Episcopal Church, through action of its recent General Convention, pledged the Church to an all-out effort to secure assurances for at least 1,200 additional displaced persons by Christmas of 1949, if possible and certainly by June 30, 1950.

Displaced persons are European people who at the end of the war were stranded in Germany and Austria, having fled there from Soviet occupation of their homelands, or been taken there by the Nazis as laborers.

Federal legislation provides that 205,000 DP's may enter our country before June 30, 1950, is assurances of jobs, housing and transportation in the United States is provided for them by American citizens.

Episcopal Church leaders are urging individuals, parishes and parish organizations to "Make a Christian Christmas Gift" of the "assurance" that the Government requires to permit admission of these needy people who have much to contribute to the welfare of America.

Church World Service, interdenomi-

national organization which is the clearing house for relief through the Churches overseas, matches assurances with families best fitted to the specifications listed. They are able to provide farm hands, tenant workers, gardeners, cooks, domestic servants, carpenters, mechanics, secretarial workers, unskilled laborers, porters, nurses' aids, technicians, clerical workers, chauffeurs and people possessed of many other skills.

Sponsors of DP's must agree that they shall not become public charges for five years. The Episcopal appeal states that information about blanks to be filled in, and the requirements of the Government are obtainable through clergymen or requests to diocesan or national Episcopal Church headquarters.

A booklet explaining requirements of the Government and supplying other supplementary information is obtainable through diocesan Christian Social Relations chairmen, Woman's Auxiliary Christian Social Relations officers, Youth chairmen and Laymen's Work keymen.

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### TOBIT 4:8,9

New York—Because of the lack of time for proper preparation between General Convention's adoption of the 1950 increased budget and the dates of this fall's Every Member Canvass, parishes are asked to work for at least as much as their 1949 goals this fall and then prepare for a second campaign early in 1950. This second campaign, ONE WORLD IN CHRIST, will be climaxed on March 12, 1950, when Presiding Bishop Henry K. Sherrill will speak by radio to all the people of the Church as they are attending Sunday morning Church services all over the land, just as he did on February 29, 1948, on behalf of world relief. "When the people know, they will respond," the General Convention said. Hence, the National Council is asking every parish and mission throughout the

Church to devote the period from January 1 to March 12 1950, to an educational program on different parts of the Church's work. "By doing the same thing in the same way, at the same time, we shall discover the great power which lies in a Church united in a common cause."

In January the study theme is to be *Our Work Overseas*; in February, *Our Work at Home* and in the first part of March, *Our Work in Christian Education*.

The National Council is preparing helps and suggestions about procedures, and the preliminary educational work is stressed as absolutely essential if Church people are to know needs and opportunities so that they will be willing and eager to give in amounts more closely approximating their actual ability than they have done in the past.

## 170 Episcopal Laymen Present For Meeting

The largest gathering of Episcopal laymen in the history of the Diocese of Western North Carolina took place Wednesday evening, November 9th, in Morganton's Community Bldg as 170 representatives from more than 25 parishes and missions assembled to hear church leaders outline a new program of laymen's work.

It was an enthusiastic meeting highlighted by addresses by the Rt. Rev. M. George Henry, bishop of Western North Carolina; James A. Smith, chairman of the Presiding Bishop Committee for laymen's work in the fourth province; the Rev. Edgar Neff, fourth province field representative; and A. B. Stoney, diocesan chairman of laymen's work.

Held under the sponsorship of the Brotherhood of St. Andrew, a men's organization of Grace Episcopal church,

the event attracted key churchmen from Gastonia to Murphy. Themes of the addresses heard accented the importance of the layman's role in advancing the work of the church. Representatives were urged to take back to their parishes and missions the objectives of the forward-looking program.

As one of the featured speakers, Bishop Henry commended the lay delegates for their interest and hailed the large attendance as evidence of a progressive spirit taking hold in the diocese.

### *National Front*

Rev. Mr. Neff outlined the work the Episcopal church is carrying on in the national and international field. He reported that the Anglican Communion, of which the Episcopal church in the United States is a part, has forty million members, and that great strides are being made in missionary fields.

An inspirational talk on the need for a more active laity was given by Mr. Smith, a Birmingham, Ala., businessman.

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Mr. Stoney presided during the meeting and introduced the visitors. John T. Roughton, Brotherhood director, welcomed the churchmen.

In a brief business meeting preceding the addresses, Ben Sumner of Rutherfordton was elected secretary-treasurer of the laymen's work movement for the diocese.

### AN IMPORTANT POST TO BE FILLED

One of the most important pieces of work facing the Diocese will have a partial solution on the first of the year when the new rector assumes his duties at St. Gabriel's Church Rutherfordton. Although the shortage of clergy has affected the Church's work everywhere in the Diocese, the need is most acutely felt among the colored congregations. With the exception of Archdeacon Kennedy, who is retired, there is no negro priest ministering to the six colored congregations.

The Rev. George B. Dayson will assume his duties as priest in charge of St. Gabriel's and St. Andrew's, Green River, on January 1st. At present he is on the staff of the Church of the Crucifixion, New York City.

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### MRS. W. BAXTER BARTLETT

Trinity Chapel, Haw Creek, has suffered a severe loss in the passing of Mrs. W. Baxter Bartlett, long a faithful and active member. Before her marriage she was Miss Lillian Shroat, and her early Church life was in Calvary Parish, Fletcher, which was near her home. She attended, and was a graduate of Christ School, which in its early days was co-educational, and drew many of its pupils from the neighborhood. A large throng crowded Calvary Church for the funeral, among them many of her old Christ School classmates.

From earliest childhood she was a devoted member of the Church, and for many years was one of the most active and useful members of Trinity Chapel, Haw Creek. Her four children are also active members of the Chapel congregation, and a daughter, Mrs. Charles Bell, is one of the "standbys" of the mission, and active in all phases of the Church's work.

She is survived by four children and eleven grandchildren. The funeral service was conducted by the Rt. Rev. M. George Henry, and Rev. Norvin C. Duncan.

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## As For Jobs

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Pensions are much in the industrial news, too. The following poem from "The Rotary Fellow" shows it used to be.

*In savage tribes, where skulls are thick  
And primeval passions rage,  
They have a system sure and quick  
To cure the blight of age;  
For when a native's youth has fled  
And years have sapped his vim,  
They simply knock him on the head  
And put an end to him.  
But we in this enlightened age  
Are built of sterner stuff,  
And so we look with righteous rage  
On deeds so rash and rough;  
For when a man grows old and gray  
And weak and short of breath,  
We simply take his job away  
And let him starve to death.*

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After preliminary study and meetings with the clergy of Asheville and lay people interested in the work, it has been decided to organize a mission in West Asheville. This new work, which for the present will be under the personal direction of Bishop Henry, will begin with services on January 15th. The American Legion Hut has been secured for services. It has been found that there are 100 communicants in West Asheville who have given evidence of their interest in the new project.

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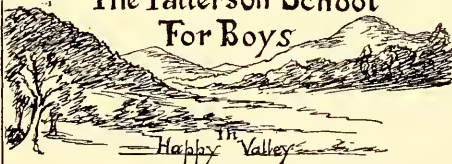
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priests

Bishop Henry has indicated to the **HIGHLAND CHURCHMAN** that his interest this year is centered on help for St. Luke's Seminary. It is hoped that every parish and mission in the Diocese will make a special effort to observe Theological Education Sunday in February, and that as far as possible the offering will be designated for the seminary at Sewanee.



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## An Expanding Diocese

Elsewhere in this paper will be found an account of an interview with Bishop Henry which points out the many ways in which the Diocese of Western North Carolina is showing increasing strength. In almost every quarter one finds the evidence of a renewed zeal for the Church, a determination to let nothing stop the effort to minister to souls. And yet in the midst of this wave of enthusiasm, there is always danger that some cautious ones may say, "But how can we afford it?" or "Wouldn't it be better to consolidate the gains we have already made?" The answer is to be found in the history of the Christian Church. Let the Church and the individuals who make up that Church become cautious and careful of the gains already made and stagnation has always set in. It is not our intention to foster recklessness. We are all called to be

missionaries but we are also called to be stewards. It will always behoove us to be able to give an able accounting of those things entrusted to us. But in these days when this whole section of the State bids fair to become the scene of great economic expansion, we dare not do less than meet the challenges placed before us and we cannot act too quickly.

## Great Day - March 12

In less than a month from the time most of our readers see this there is going to be a single mighty effort to push forward the frontiers of the Episcopal Church's work throughout the world. At the last General Convention it became apparent that in order to meet the needs that were being put before the Church, a great increase in the budget would be necessary. To accomplish the goals set, an increase of over two million dollars was set. And it was proposed that this sum be raised in one great day's offering in every parish and mission of the Episcopal communion. On March 12th, Presiding Bishop Sherrill will speak by radio to all congregations and an offering will be taken. For Western North Carolina it will mean that \$4,500 must be given. There should be no difficulty.

## Goodbye

The retiring editor cannot resist the opportunity that is his to take this space to express his gratitude for the past years. It has been his happy privilege to be associated with the Diocese of Western North Carolina almost from the beginning of his priesthood. The friendships he has gained, the things he has learned and above all the sense of having belonged to an intimate family are the sources of greatest joy.

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## Plan To Seize Opportunities and Meet Needs Now Urged

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**Part of preparation for advance plan touching all mission fields and increasing largely the educational program throughout the Church; similar study periods will be devoted to missions at home and Christian education.**

During the month of January 1950, members of the Episcopal Church all through the land will make a serious study of that Church's missionary work overseas. In February a similar study will be made of missionary work at home, and in the early part of March the study will be on the work of Christian education.

This intensive study period, which is to reach every parish and mission of the Episcopal Church, is to make church members understand the need for a greatly increased budget for 1950, which was approved by the General Convention meeting in San Francisco last October.

At the close of the study period on Sunday, March 12, the presiding bishop, the Rt. Rev. Henry Knox Sherrill, will make a radio address through a coast-to-coast network, directly to congregations in their parish churches. Radio receiving sets will be placed in the churches and at a certain point in the morning service, the presiding bishop will be heard, telling of needs and opportunities for advance in every phase of the Church's work, and urging increased giving to the Church's program of work by every Episcopal Church member.

The radio hookup which will carry this message is to be one of the largest ever arranged for a religious message.

The budget which the Episcopal Church is expecting to raise is \$5,634,617 per year for the next three years. The budget for 1949 is \$3,650,000. The increases are to provide more adequate missionary salaries, extensive enlargement of the work in Christian education, increased activities in Christian social relations, and increases in mission staffs, buildings and equipment, including the opening of a completely new missionary work on Okinawa.

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### Leach Resigns As Editor

The Department of Promotion regrets the resignation of the Reverend Wilbur C. Leach as Editor. Mr. Leach has been faithful to his work at all times and we regret his leaving, even though we would wish him the best of every happy thing in his venture towards the North. We know that St. Luke's Chapel will be blessed in his coming and we hope that he and his family will be deeply happy there.

There have been many times when "printers devils" have pestered him and indeed we would be remiss if we did not indicate that occasionally the saints of the Church have not enabled him to meet his deadline. But he has dealt with both the saint and the sinner in a remarkable spirit of charity and in a bond of fellowship. Godspeed to him and his.

### McCloskey To Edit Churchman

Effective upon the departure of the Reverend Wilbur Leach, the Reverend Robert McCloskey, Minister-in-Charge of St. Andrew's Church in Canton will become editor of the CHURCHMAN. Mr. McCloskey is a relative newcomer to our Diocese, but for many reasons we believe he will be especially adept in this responsible position. We ask that all correspondence to the Editor be sent directly to him at St. Andrew's Church in Canton.

We also ask that all those interested in the future of the Diocese will co-operate in every way with the Editor that the CHURCHMAN may grow in influence in the Diocese and that it may not only disseminate news of the Diocese but may strengthen and inspire the life of the people.



*Resigning Editor and Priest.*

## Leach To Go To New York

The Rev. W. C. Leach, for the past eight years priest in charge of Holy Cross, Valle Crucis and other missions, has resigned and will become a member of the staff of St. Luke's Chapel, New York City on February 1st. He came to the Diocese of Western North Carolina in February of 1942 from St. John's Church, Dover, N. J. Originally he had planned to go to the Philippines as a member of the mission staff which was being supported by General Theological Seminary, from which school he had graduated in 1941.

For the first five years of his pastorate at Valle Crucis he was also in charge of St. Luke's, Boone, St. Matthew's, Todd, St. Mary's, Beaver Creek and Holy Trinity, Glendale Springs. At the time of his resignation he was in charge of St. John the Baptist, Lower Watauga, St. Mary's, Blowing Rock.

Fr. Leach served a three year term on the Executive Council. He has been Chairman of the Department of Program and Budget, Christian Education and Youth Commission. For the past three years he was editor of the **HIGHLAND CHURCHMAN**.

## Treasurer's Note

To the right is the record for the year 1949, and while it does not reconcile with the books of the Treasurer, it is nevertheless accurate. New York advised us to close our books on January 16th, but the receipts on the 18th-19th affected several places and so in order to make a better showing and present a prettier picture these arrears have been included in our receipts for 1949. The report could be better if every Mission and Parish had paid up in full, however, due to the fact that some places **OVERPAID** the total is a satisfactory showing. We are still having trouble over the Church Program Fund. Some call it Quota, some Missions, some Church Dues and others "*our Assessment*." In remitting if you will please place an X after your Assessment figures, a Q after your Church Program we can easily understand these to mean Expense and Quota, and this would be most helpful. It now requires part of the wisdom of a Solomon to guess at the meaning of some of the remittances received.

Let's make 1950 our best year yet both spiritually and financially, and in this connection it gives your Treasurer some satisfaction to note that the Rev. George H. Wieland D.D. has prepared The Missionary Imperative sermon—"Speak unto the Children of Israel that they go forward." This is the same text your Treasurer had the temerity to suggest to Bishop Henry last May at the Convention at Morganton, and the results in the awakening of this Diocese have been most gratifying. Under the guidance of our good Bishop let us continue to go forward.

William M. Redwood,  
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219.00	219.00	417.00	283.43
130.00	130.00	250.00	250.00
398.00	398.00	759.00	759.00
410.00	410.04	775.00	866.78
370.00	370.00	707.00	760.22
334.00	334.00	637.00	635.84
253.00	253.00	482.00	619.48
216.00	216.00	412.00	412.00
234.00	234.00	445.00	445.00
580.00	580.00	1,196.00	1,323.02
358.00	358.00	684.00	684.00
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117.00	117.00	224.00	234.40
30.00	30.00	37.00	63.44
48.00	48.00	94.00	94.00
114.00	114.00	218.00	228.00
10.00	10.00	12.00	12.00
19.00	19.00	36.00	36.00
96.00	96.00	183.00	108.94
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41.00	41.00	79.00	79.00
10.00	10.00	35.00	35.00
95.00	95.00	182.00	182.05
22.00	22.00	42.00	42.00
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# Interview With Bishop Shows Steady Growth In Diocese

In an exclusive interview granted the **HIGHLAND CHURCHMAN**, Bishop Henry reports a steady and encouraging growth in all departments of the diocesan life. Although there are yet many vacancies to be filled in missions throughout the Diocese, there is much interest on the part of laypeople which bodes well for the future. New missions are being organized, churches are being built or planned for, and in one instance a church is being consecrated.

The work in West Asheville is now moving toward the point where an organized mission will soon be admitted into union with the Diocese. Although no name has been chosen yet, a good sized group has been meeting for services in the American Legion building, a Sunday School has been organized and officers have been elected. So far about 88 families have been reached, most of whom have not been taking an active part in parish activities. Mr. R. L. Nahikian is Warden, the treasurer is Mr. Fred Mutton, and Mr. Vernon Parker Sunday School superintendent.

At the last meeting of the Executive Council, three new missions were admitted into the Diocese. Grace Chapel, Asheville, Holy Comforter, Andrews, and St. Barnabas, Murphy. Mr. Arthur Brimley, a postulant for Holy Orders is lay reader in charge of Grace Chapel, his regular services mark the first time in three years since there has been services there. The organ has been electrified, a stoker has been installed and many general repairs have been made. There is now a Sunday School with Mr. Porter Crisp as superintendent. Holy Comforter Chapel meets in a room in the public library in Andrews. This seems to be more than just a temporary meeting place, for the room is devoted exclusively to church services, with an altar, altar rail, seats and kneeling pads. Mr. William Bolton, lay-worker at Murphy is in charge of services under the direction of the Rev. A. R. Morgan.

Mr. S. Grant Alexander of Asheville, an architect, has been retained by the Church of the Redeemer, Shelby, and has submitted plans for a new church there. It is estimated that the building will cost at least \$25,000 and it is hoped that work can be started in the late Spring.

On the afternoon of Sunday, April 16th, St. Mark's Church, Gastonia, will be consecrated. It will be remembered that the congregation of St. Mark's bought the building formerly owned by the Associate Reformed Presbyterian Church. In order to make the building suitable for liturgical worship, it was necessary to have extensive changes made.

During 1949 there were 333 confirmations in the Diocese. This figure is greater than those for any one year in the past 16 years. The parishes and missions which have been outstanding in the number presented for confirmation are Transfiguration, Bat Cave, 14; St. Mary's, Asheville, 28; St. Paul's, Edneyville, 17; Calvary, Fletcher, 38; Grace, Morganton, 24; and Trinity, Asheville, 38. The Bishop points out that much of the rise in the number of people being confirmed is due to the efforts now being put forth by lay people. It is hoped that every church in the Diocese will set a goal of one tenth of its communicant strength each year.

Miss Aline Cronshey, mission worker at Edneyville, has just finished a survey of the work at St. John's, Upward, and it has been decided to reopen that work in the near future.

At the request of the Board of Managers of Kanuga the Bishop commends to every congregation the giving of the Easter offering for the improvement of the Kanuga property. If in any place the Easter Offering is otherwise designated, it is asked that some Sunday be set aside as a day on which an offering will be made for Kanuga.

## The Domestic Missionary Field

*By The Rt. Rev. George H. Quarterman,  
S.T.D., Missionary Bishop of  
North Texas*

"We have a mighty sick young man here. You're the only minister he really knows. Can you come to see him?" The message came from a mission congregation without clergy ministration and 300 miles distant. A 600-mile sick call—that is domestic missions. Do you know that the 13 domestic missionary districts have an area of 1,078,807 square miles? That is one-third of the total area of these United States. North Texas, for example, in area is one-and-one-half times the size of the state of New York. The bishop travels 24,000 miles annually in his visitations and ministrations. Only three times this year, except on holiday, he had Sunday dinner with his family. That's domestic missions.

"Where do your people live?" A friend flying in from the East asked that question. He saw few towns as he flew over the area. There are few. This is a town and country field. Some live on isolated ranches. The cities and towns are far apart. The mission clergy drive hundreds of miles each week to serve as many as five congregations. That's domestic missions. Do you know that the total population of the 13 missionary districts is about the same as that of the state of Ohio? Separation by miles; isolation in family groups—yet one in the fellowship of Christ's Church. That's domestic missions.

"Do you think we can have a resident priest in another year?" Mission congregations continually ask that question. It brings anguish to the missionary bishops. How long can one say, "Possess your souls in patience?" Do you know that in 1948 the total active clergy in the domestic missionary field numbered 234? Praise God for

them! They are devoted men on minimum salaries, serving 97 parishes, 400 organized missions and manning preaching stations in an area of more than one million miles. That's domestic missions.

"This is the least we can do." So said the laymen in North Texas considering the advance missionary program. The "least" is a four hundred per cent increase in four years. The mission budget in 1946 was \$5,000. In 1950 it is \$20,784. In addition, there is increasing self-support. The operations budget in 1946 totalled \$2,400. In 1950 it is \$7,000. Other missionary districts can submit comparable figures. "Go Forward"—that is the direction of movement in the domestic mission field.

"This month the Auxiliary president and vice-president and the Canvass chairman moved away." So reported a mission priest. "Moved away" is a familiar refrain in the domestic mission field. Much of our population is transient. That hurts us, but brings welcomed strength to established parishes and diocese. The cities live on the production of the rural field. Emigration—that's characteristic of domestic missions.

"Let us rise up and build." I wish that I might have the figures of actual building in all of the domestic field. I can only quote North Texas as an example of all missionary districts. The totals for the last triennium are: 6 rectories and vicarages, 2 Church buildings erected, 3 Church buildings enlarged and repaired, 2 mission halls built, 1 parish hall built. Three Church buildings were consecrated. Building for the service and worship of God. That's domestic missions.

"Bishop, we have 12 persons who desire Confirmation. What can we do about that?" The query came from a

newly organized mission without services of a priest. Lay evangelism brings in the harvest. The bishop gave the instructions over a period of ten weeks. The point is: the domestic field presents a great opportunity which we must meet now. New missions are being organized, more should be and will be if the Church accepts its marching orders—"Go ye into all the world." Your missionary bishops are appalled by the inability to meet opportunities for Christ and His Church. Stand beside us, go forward with us, by your support of the advance program.

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## Laymen of The Episcopal Church Club, Hickory

The men of the Church of The Ascension met in the new parish house on November 21st for the first meeting of a new mens' club, following out the plans of the National organization of the laymens' work, headed by Harvey Firestone.

Mr. Ervin Yount, the keyman for the parish, invited Mr. A. B. Stoney, keyman for the diocese, to be the first speaker. Mr. Stoney brought a very inspirational message, and gave the high lights concerning the history, purpose, and program of the movement to the forty-five laymen present.

The dinner was served by the St. Catherine Circle of the Woman's Auxiliary. It was decided to have a meeting once a month with the different circles of the auxiliary to serve dinner for the men on these occasions.

The following officers were elected:

Joe Wingo, President; Ervin Yount, Vice-President; Joe Cobb, Secretary-Treasurer; Marcus Little, Assistant Secretary.

## WOMAN'S AUXILIARY

*By Lenthe Rush Campbell*

### Worship Study Service Fellowship

We are fast approaching one of the greatest days in which we as Christian women come together and make ourselves felt spiritually throughout the world. The great day, of course, is the World Day of Prayer. The next observance of which will be February 24th and the theme is *Faith For Our Time*. At the Triennial Meeting of the Woman's Auxiliary in 1946 a resolution was passed encouraging women of the Episcopal Church to share in the work of the Councils of church women; this resolution says in part, "Every Woman's Auxiliary is urged to affiliate with the local Council of Church Women, and every woman asked to participate actively in the work of the Council. It is further recommended that if no such Council exists in a community, the women of the Episcopal Church take the initiative in organizing local councils to be affiliated with the United Council of Church Women." The new secretary of the department of World Relations of the United Council of Church Women is Miss Luella Reckmeyer, an Episcopalian. Mrs. Robert B. Campbell of Hickory is the chairman of Christian World Missions of the North Carolina Council of Church Women. This includes the World Day of Prayer. Dr. Alexis Carrel, one of our great scientist said in 1941 "Prayer is the most Powerful Form of energy that one can generate." The World Day of Prayer is one of the days The United Council sponsors.

World Day of Prayer Material may be obtained from the United Council of Church Women, 156 Fifth Avenue, New York 10, New York.

Mrs. A. B. Stoney our United Thank Offering Custodian, gives us the following interesting report:

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We are beginning a new triennium. Let's set ourselves a goal. Let's make a dream come true in our Diocese. See that every woman in your Parish or Mission has a United Thank Offering box, that she knows what it is for and how her offerings are spreading the Kingdom.

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## Clergy Hear Heuss

The clergy of the Diocese absented themselves from their churches on January 18th and 19th to attend a Conference in the See City at the invitation of the Bishop. Dr. John Heuss, Executive Secretary of the National Council's Department of Christian Education, spent two days with the clergy going over the work of that department which has been measureably increased by action of the last two General Conventions. Many valuable leads were given concerning techniques and administration of Christian Education on a local level, however Dr. Heuss' greatest contribution was his firm and straightforward pres-

entation of the philosophy of Christian Education. Episcopalians need not fear the mistakes made by similar departments in other Communions where emphases went to extremes; on the contrary, the approach of the expanded program in our department will balance established truth with modern methods of approach; these elements being in compliment rather than at odds. Previews were given of the new curricula of the department; the first official publications of the Dept. of Christian Education of the National Church were reviewed. The sincere sight of our failure as a Church to measure up to the task of Christian Education in the past was overshadowed by the knowledge that we were "doing something about it now". Dr. Heuss warned the clergy that although new materials were being developed, it would be at least four years before they would be presentable, and, that in the meanwhile, we should examine our present programs and work with what we had. The Diocesan Committee on Christian Education urged that all churches in the Diocese follow as closely as possible the approved "interim materials" until the new materials were completed by National Council. In spite of the great inadequacies in our religious education work, the Conference caught the spirit of the Advance in the Church, and saw a vision of greater days ahead.

The clergy were the guests of Bishop Henry while in Asheville. The sessions

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of the Conference were held in Diocesan Headquarters and fine meals were served by the women of Trinity, St. Mary's and All Souls. On Thursday morning the Bishop celebrated Holy Communion at St. Mary's Church.

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—H. R. L. Sheppard

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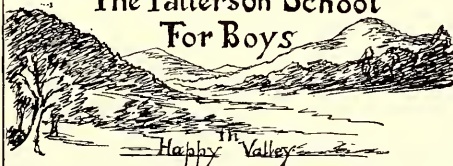
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## Easter Offering

The giving of our Easter Offering for property improvement at Kanuga has been commended by the Board of Managers through our Bishop. Although the Managers did not wish to force our action in any way, the request could have been made more emphatically, for, the need is very great. Operating costs through the last few years have hindered even normal property repair, so that the physical condition of Kanuga is almost critical. The property is geographically located in our Diocese, and through the years has immeasurably enriched and influenced the life of the Church in this Diocese. It will continue to do so in increasing proportions. The least we can do is to receive wholeheartedly the commendation of the Managers and follow the suggestion. If the Easter Offering has been otherwise designated in your Church, set aside another Sunday's offering for Kanuga.

## It's Later Than You Think

More credible than not is a fictitious item clipped from a sometime newspaper:

ANYTOWN, U.S.A., Feb. 22.—The people of St. Vitis Church-by-the-Gas-Station held their annual Shrove Tuesday frolic last evening in the parish house. Music for dancing was furnished by a fine orchestra; the most popular tune was the recent hit, "Enjoy yourself; it's later than you think". At the stroke of twelve, the group quietly processed to the near-by Church where the Penitential Offices for Ash Wednesday were read. As in these traditional Offices, the congregation joined with the minister in the great intercession, "Spare thy people . . . and let not thine heritage be brought to confusion . . ."

Lest this item bring us to confusion, let us make haste to examine it. The title to the current radio and juke-box hit tune, "Enjoy yourself; it's later than you think", although wedded to non-canonical music, is never-the-less doctrinally sound. Before you question such a rash statement, re-examine the word "enjoy". "Enjoyment" entails "happiness" and "happiness" has a familiar Gospel ring—the Greeks and the Hebrews had a word for it, namely, "blessedness". It is later than we think, and we should enjoy ourselves—enjoy ourselves in terms of true Christian happiness. Isaiah reminds Israel that penitential fasting of an inward and selfish nature makes one irritable and very unhappy; that true penitence demands not only denial of self, but an outpouring of self to others. We need not be reminded that our Lord was concerned about true blessedness; His Crucifixion was evidence of that. The Apostle writes of Him as the One, "who for the joy that was set before Him, endured the cross . . ."

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## The Bishop's Message

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In the Introduction of the Book of Common Prayer, there is a Table of Fasts, in which is mentioned the Forty Days of Lent.

In this Table of Fasts, there is given direction by the Church as to how we should keep these Fasts.

There is stated: "Ash Wednesday, Good Friday, The Forty Days of Lent, Ember Days, all Fridays in the year, except Christmas Day and The Epiphany, or any Friday which may intervene between these Feasts, and other days of Fasting, on which The Church requires such a measure of Abstinence as is more especially suited to Extraordinary Acts and Exercises of Devotion." You will notice "especially suited".

Too often I hear of Lenten Observance which is negative and seemingly has no purpose. It is "especially suited" to nothing except our self-righteous Pharisaism. Would it not be well for us to take stock of ourselves—to make this a personal Lent—by bringing to light the ways in which we have failed the Church in not living up to the Vows we took when we were Baptized and Confirmed; how we have professed, not practiced, our Faith, and, yes, how we have "wrapped in a napkin" the talents God has given us, instead of using them? Having thus examined ourselves, would it not be well for all of us to set forth for ourselves "extraordinary Acts and Exercises of Devotion", which we intend to undertake, during this Lenten Season, and, then, set up "such a measure of Abstinence as is more especially suited" to these particular undertakings?

In such an enlarged participation in the forward movement of the Church, our spiritual lives will be deepened, for we will be bringing ourselves under the discipline of the Church, by exerting self-discipline. We will be proving to ourselves, and to others, the true value of the practices and teachings of the Church; we will be "bearing witness" in a concrete, convincing way; our penitence will be real, not a sham. In this way, our Lenten Observance will be positive in its emphasis.

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## The Advance and Christian Education

*By the Rev. Canon Vesper O. Ward  
Editor in Chief of Curriculum Department of Christian Education,  
The National Council.*

The General Convention of 1835 marked a turning point in the life of the Episcopal Church. Out of the missionary conviction which was born at that time this Church came to a position of unique leadership and responsibility. But after a century of missionary interest and expansion our people began to lose the vision of 1835. In addition, baptismal and confirmation vows seemed irrelevant to many of us and to some the basic ideology and language of the worship and sacraments of the Church became a foreign tongue.

What explains this state of spiritual apathy?

For one thing it was evident that several adult generations had failed to communicate the Christian Faith to the rising generation. Sensing this fact in a vague way, our people have demanded better curriculum materials. The General Convention of 1946 instructed the National Council, through its new Department of Christian Education, to provide approved curriculum materials. The implications of these instructions became a crucial issue at the General Convention of 1949. Not since 1835 has this Church been aroused so unanimously about any issue as it has been about the necessity for educational reform.

The Christian Faith cannot be communicated by teaching the facts of religion to children. It can only be communicated by adults for whom Jesus Christ is Lord. Furthermore, this process of communication begins even be-

fore a child is born and continues throughout his life. So the basic question is not *what* shall we teach our children, but by what kind of people and under what conditions are the children to be taught? Converted adults are the key to a relevant program of Christian Education. If this conviction is well founded we are driven to reconsider the Church's leadership capacities. This raises the question of how effectively we have been using good educational tools that are already at hand. What is the educational relevance of baptism, confirmation and holy matrimony?

Leadership training, beginning with the clergy, has been established as a prerequisite for curriculum development. While this program is getting under way the professional editorial staff has been concerned with discovering how children learn and reviewing ways of helping a curriculum come to life at the parish level. The results of the steps that have been outlined above have led the Department to think of the shape of the new curriculum in terms of a parent-parish relationship to every member of the Church throughout the whole of his life experience. The church-home readers, the guides for parents and teachers, audio-visual aids, etc., will all be developed around the idea that the child is being educated in religion by everyone who touches his life. The curriculum consists of this total structured, guided and enriched experience.

You have sensed already that this program is no easy panacea. It must come to life in the homes and parishes of the Church if it is to produce results. This will require patient and painstaking preparation on the part of the clergy, teachers, parents, and parish leaders.

The Church calls us again to enter the school of Christ and to become active participants in God's drama of salvation that we may know in redemptive reality *the love of Christ which passeth knowledge.*

## Convocations

### Convocation of Morganton

The pre-Lenten meeting of the Convocation of Morganton was held on Wednesday, February 15th, at St. Mark's Church, Gastonia. Holy Communion was celebrated by the Dean of the Convocation, the Rev. Peter W. Lambert, Jr., assisted by the Rev. William C. Cravner, Rector of St. Marks'. The Quiet Day Meditations were ably presented by the Rev. W. H. Anthony, Ph.D., priest-in-charge of the Church of the Redeemer, Shelby. Fr. Lambert conducted a short business session of the Convocation at luncheon.

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### Convocation of Asheville

The Convocation of Asheville met on February 15th and 16th at St. James Church, Black Mountain; Dean A. Rufus Morgan, presided; Mr. William F. Tyndall was Secretary. In the business session on the 15th, reports on missionary activity in the Convocation indicated that the Triennial Advance of the Church was truly "grass-roots". Particularly heartening were the reports of the work in the extreme Western field and in the greater Asheville area. (See HIGHLAND CHURCHMAN, Feb. 1950, p. 6). Speaking for the Department of Promotion, the Rev. John W. Tuton urged that the Advance would go forward only if the people of the Church were informed; that each parish and mission should use the suggestions forwarded from the National Council. The Bishop reported on the state of the Kanuga property and the program for the coming summer. The exact needs are mentioned elsewhere in this issue of the HIGHLAND CHURCHMAN. Bishop Henry urged that the needs of Kanuga must be met if it would continue to maintain its prominent position in the life of the Church. The Convocation deferred the election of a new Dean and secretary until the Fall meeting which

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## LAYMEN AT WORK

All over the United States, men who are members of the Episcopal Church have been holding meetings with the vestries and mission committees in the local churches, giving them what has been called "a package presentation of the work of the Church". The twelve hundred laymen who led these meetings have all had a thorough intensive training course, utilizing the most modern techniques, to fit them for their meetings with vestrymen. This is the first time in the history of the Episcopal Church that so large a number of trained laymen have undertaken such a project.

As you know, the Episcopal Church has planned a program of advance which will require a much larger budget than in 1949. To assure that the new larger budget for 1950 will be raised, a Church-wide effort is being made to make sure that every member of the Church shall learn about the program of work and expansion, understands it, and believes in it to the extent of backing it financially.

An outstanding job was done in this Diocese during January by the nine laymen who took the special training course in the Churches' program and budget. These men are: Bill Balthis, Jordan Brown, Ed Hartshorn, Beekman Huger, Allen Jones, E. L. Kemper, Cary Page, Ralph Todd and A. B. Stoney.

Presentations varying in length from one to two hours were made by these laymen to every Vestry and Mission Committee in the Diocese. The picture of the whole church with its expanding program and emphasis on evangelism was discussed at length with these groups with the result that many of our Church men now have, for the first time, a reasonably accurate knowledge of what our Church is doing and hopes to do.

Bishop Henry has decided to appoint all these laymen as Key-Men-at-Large with full membership on the Presiding Bishop's Committee for Laymen's Work in this Diocese. This is a well deserved recognition of an outstanding job faithfully and brilliantly performed.

The Bishop tells us that he needs more lay readers at once. Therefore, our suggestion is that you approach your Rector and your Laymen's Group with a project of Layreader's training.

Your Rector can and will give your men the simple coaching necessary in the use of the Prayer Book. Any average layman can quickly become a qualified lay reader. We do not hope to produce brilliant preachers—just plain ordinary churchmen who will help to keep the church doors open and people in their pews. The Lord will accept a very imperfect performance if an humble Christian Spirit goes into it.

The news of the Laymens work of the Episcopal Church in the Diocese is carried in a bulletin, *Keystone Comments*, sent to all "key men" in the parishes and missions of the Diocese. Mr. Stoney reports in the February Bulletin that the only reports filed from local key-men to his office have been from the men of Trinity Chapel, Haw Creek, and Grace Church, Morganton. These reports follow:

"The men of Trinity, Haw Creek, had their Corporate Communion in November with eight attending. Ten dollars was sent to Mr. B. H. Sumner.

"On Tuesday night, January 31, there was a joint meeting of St. James, Black Mountain; St. Lukes, Chunn's Cove; and Trinity Chapel, at Haw Creek. Supper was served by the ladies of the Auxiliary."

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## YOUTH NEWS

*By Mary Aston Leavell*

### **Hickory**

The young people meet every Sunday night in the Parish House, the Woman's Auxiliary serving the supper. They have purchased beautiful furniture for the Rector's study. A party was given for the students home from college and the young people had a table at the annual Christmas bazaar.

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### **Hendersonville**

The Young Churchmen have been active. They have sent a Bible to a church in Sylva, N. C., and they have organized a Junior Altar Guild which meets every Saturday at 4:00 P. M. They have also started to form a library. A novel idea was suggested by this group in that when they answer the roll, they say a verse from the Bible. I might say the Hendersonville News Editor sent in some news without prompting. Some of the others of us might take note.

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### **Morganton**

The young people recently elected Ariail Boggs and Bette Davis as their new group leaders. At Thanksgiving they took a basket to a needy family. Members serve on the Altar Guild and help keep the nursery during church.

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### **Diocesan Camp**

The Youth Commission of the Diocese held a meeting at Grace Church Rectory, Morganton, the evening of February 4th. Those present were: The Rev. G. M. Jenkins, Chairman, Miss Clara Kate Boggs, Miss Nancy Barber, Miss Aline Cronshey, the Rev. Messrs. Robert McCloskey, Rhett Winters, C. G. Leavell, and Miss Mary Aston Leavell. The main matter of business was making plans for, and arranging for leadership at, the Diocesan summer camp for Young Churchmen.

The Rev. G. M. Jenkins was elected Director of the Camp, with the Rev. C. G. Leavell, Vice-Director. The dates were set as July 2nd-8th, and the place Patterson School, as of yore. Several courses were suggested to the Director at this meeting, such as "Knowing the Will of God", "How to Read the Bible", and "Young Peoples' Programs."

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### **Provincial Commission**

The Provincial Youth Commission held its mid-winter meeting on February 17th-19th at Holy Trinity Church, Decatur, Georgia. All of the Dioceses in the Province of Sewanee were represented except three. On February 17th we heard diocesan reports giving details of the youth work in each diocese. Then the next day we heard the report of the National Youth Commission meeting which was held in Racine, Wis. According to the report from the National Youth Commission, next year's "Plan", which many of us have failed to use this year as a basis for programs, is going to be put in simpler language so that more people will use it in their youth groups. Next year "PLAN" will stress the fundamental teachings of the Bible and the Prayer Book. I'm afraid that many of us really don't know as much about these two books as we should, and I hope that you will try to use "Plan" next year. If you are on the Youth Leader's Mailing List, you will receive a copy. Otherwise send in your order for your copy to "Youth Division", 281 Fourth Avenue, New York 10, New York.

After the report of the National Youth Commission we had special committee meetings. The date for the Provincial Youth Convention was set as August 28th-September 2nd. The Convention will be held in Monteagle, Tennessee. The Commission meeting ended with our attendance at the morning service on Sunday, February 19th.

## WOMAN'S AUXILIARY

*By Lenthe Rush Campbell*

### **Worship Study Service Fellowship**

May we during the Lenten Season offer ourselves to God with these words: "O Lord, I offer and present unto Thee, myself, my soul and body to be a reasonable, holy and living sacrifice unto Thee this day. Use me as Thou wilt, when Thou wilt, where Thou wilt and with whom Thou wilt."

Mrs. Haden, our Educational Secretary writes from Florida that she would like for "all women in the branches to order for their own personal use, the copy of the meditation, used by Dr. Theodore P. Ferris at Triennial. The booklet is 'His Holy Fellowship' and can be secured from National Council for 15 cents per copy".

Mrs. Mary Craven, our Secretary for Christian Social Relations brings us the following report:

"The aim of the Christian social relations program for this Triennium is to make Christianity come alive in our homes, parishes and communities. It has to do with our living and acting as Christians in our own locales. All want harmony—we want peace—we want tolerance. The essence of harmony, peace and tolerance is cohesion—not division. We must realize what men have in common and what can bring them together in a Christian way. This must begin at home. Our first aim should be to re-invigorate the Christian home and let activities branch out from that source. Perhaps none of us can do anything on a grand scale. But we can work for and with our people in our parishes and communities. It isn't national leaders we need so much as men and women of Christian good will in each of the little towns of America. Try to keep your community a decent place by being a correct and Christian citizen yourself. And we must all remember that the title 'Christian Social

Relations' covers all relations of our daily life—the problem is for us to make them Christian".

Suggestions for your Lenten reading: The Atoning Life, Nash; The Words of Life, Dawley; Christ's Victory and Ours, Grant; The Man Born to be King, Sayers; The Man From Nazareth, Fosdick; The Daily Altar, Morrison and Willett.

### **WOMENS U.T.O. SPRING PRESENTATIONS**

The Feast of the Annunciation, March 25th, is the time of our corporate communions for the spring presentations of the United Thank Offering. If this date is not convenient to your rector please have him set a date as near March 25th as possible.

This year we are endeavoring to find out exactly the number of women participating. We would suggest each woman putting a slip of paper with her name upon it in the alms basin when she makes her offering. This would enable you to get the exact number and would keep the amount of a woman's offering private.

Western North Carolina has benefited so much from the United Thank Offering in the past and present. We gave \$12,688.69 in San Francisco for the last Triennium but that doesn't cover the benefits we have received from the offering. We have four women workers in this diocese whose salaries come from this offering. The beautiful Church of St. Francis of Assissi at Cherokee, a clergy house to be built at the same place, a combination library and community center at Saluda, the renovation of Gard Hall at Patterson School, have all been made possible in our diocese through the United Thank Offering during the last three years. It is plain to see why the women of Western North Carolina should be thankful one hundred per cent.

## New Reredos At Waynesville

Grace Church in the Mountains, Waynesville, is happy to announce the recent dedication by the Bishop of the Diocese of a new reredos in their Church. The fine proportions of the carved oak were well-designed by William MacCollum in keeping with the existent architecture. The work was executed by the craftsmanship of Walter and Robert Hill. Messrs. MacCollum, and Hills are members of the Congregation. The reredos is a memorial to Miss Theodora Meta Adams, a beloved communicant of the parish for many years; it was presented by her family.

## Canton Church Installs Organ

St. Andrews Church, Canton, recently installed a new Wurlitzer Organ in the Church, and retired the old reed organ which had wheezed through many services. The minister to St. Andrews reports, for the benefit of those who are considering a new organ, that this in-

strument is much more suitable for liturgical worship than some electronic organs seem to be. At any rate, St. Andrews' is proud of the new acquisition, for it has raised the level of common worship and praise of the congregation.

## LAYMEN AT WORK

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Grace Church in Morganton reports: "Grace Church chapter of the Brotherhood of St. Andrew has made pledges totaling \$3,930 toward the \$50,000 improvement project proposed for Patterson School at Happy Valley. The surprising response throughout the Parish totaled \$8,055.

"Don Van Noppen, solicitor for Grace Parish, states that more contributions are being received and that he has as his goal \$10,000 from the Parish.

"The success of the drive within the Brotherhood was due in great part to the offer of a member who asked to remain anonymous to match any amount given by other brothers."

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## The Editor Speaks:

The new editor cannot resist the opportunity to say "hello" to the readers of the **HIGHLAND CHURCHMAN**. He trusts his modest talents will not diminish the place this publication holds in the life of the Diocese. The purpose of the **HIGHLAND CHURCHMAN** is established; perhaps the readers have some comfort in knowing that even though Editors come and go like itinerant missionaries, the Diocesan paper goes forward!

There are some facts you should be acquainted with concerning your publication. First, it works on a very limited budget, therefore its size, format, and art work is accordingly limited. We make haste to add that we are getting much more for our dollars worth than many similar papers could hope for. When more money can be appropriated for **THE HIGHLAND CHURCHMAN**, then and only then can these physical factors of its make-up be expanded. Second, as an official publication of the Diocese, it should give

an honest picture of the state of Christ's Church in this Diocese. To give such an honest picture we must have **NEWS**. Too often this news is not sent to the Editor. We urge you to take account of this phase of stewardship: "Key-men" in the laymen's work should send in regular reports to Mr. Stoney; promotional chairmen in the local Womens Auxiliaries should send news to Mrs. Campbell, regularly; young people's officers should forward their news to Miss Leavell; the clergy should not be too modest about newsworthy items in their parish programs. There should be a healthy balance between Diocesan items and information concerning the total program of the larger Church—often times the Editor has had practically no news from the parishes and missions. To that degree **THE HIGHLAND CHURCHMAN** is what you make it.

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## Church School Lenten Offering

The Convocation of Asheville in Spring session set aside the days of April 22nd and 23rd as the time for the presentation of the Church School Lenten Offerings. For the western area of the Convocation, the children and youth of the several Church Schools will meet at the Church of the Incarnation, Highlands, on Saturday afternoon, April 22nd. The presentation for the Church Schools in the Eastern area of the Convocation will be held at Calvary Church, Fletcher, on the following afternoon, the Second Sunday after Easter, at 4 P. M.

Bishop Henry will be the preacher

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at both presentations. Further details will be forthcoming in the next issue of the **HIGHLAND CHURCHMAN**. It is hoped that the Offering this year will indicate that the Church Schools of the Diocese are growing in proportion to the expanded work of the whole Church.

## Other Dioceses

The Convocation of the Missionary District of Haiti met at Trinity Cathedral, Port-au-Prince, and voted to send a cable to the National Council, "announcing enthusiastic acceptance of the quota for 1950."

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The diocese of Southern Ohio has completed its Every Member Canvass, and will increase its missionary giving for 1950 by 26 per cent over 1949. The full budget was presented in the regular fall canvass, instead of presenting the 1950 increased budget through a special campaign terminating in March. The diocesan expectation was set at \$112,000, an increase of \$25,089.

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The diocese of Delaware will increase its giving for 1950 by 50 per cent. "I wonder whether any other diocese has voluntarily increased its giving to the general Church by 50 per cent?" inquires Bishop Arthur R. McKinstry of Delaware. Many of the Delaware congregations, after completing their Every Member Canvasses, wired Presiding Bishop Sherrill that they were pledging the increased quota and expressing loyalty to the new, enlarged program of the Church for the next triennium.

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## CONVOCATION OF ASHEVILLE

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meets at Highlands. One hundred dollars was designated by the Convocation to go into the student work at St. David's Mission, Cullowhee, the location of Western Carolina Teachers College. On Wednesday evening, the Convocation sermon was delivered by the Rev. G. Mark Jenkins; the Bishop, the Dean, and the minister of St. James' Church assisted in the service.

On Thursday, the Bishop was the Celebrant at the 8 A. M. Holy Com-

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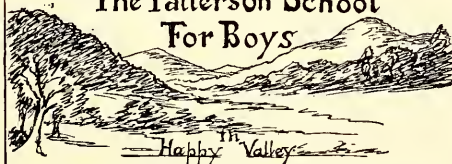
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munion. Beginning at 10 A. M. and continuing until 1 P. M., Quiet Day Meditations were conducted by the Bishop. The meditations were based on the pre-Lenten Collects and brought the closing of the Convocation to a spiritual high point.

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## Easter Canticle

CHRIST our Passover is sacrificed for us: therefore let us keep the feast. Not with old leaven, neither with the leaven of malice and wickedness; but with the unleavened bread of sincerity and truth . . .

Christ is risen from the dead . . . Likewise reckon ye also yourselves to be dead indeed unto sin, but alive unto God through Jesus Christ our Lord . . .



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## 28th Annual Convention

The Church of the Ascension, Hickory, will be the scene of the annual Diocesan Convention on May 10th and 11th. HIGHLAND CHURCHMAN readers will learn more of program details in the weeks to come. The convention will hear President Harold L. Trigg of St Augustine's College discuss "Christian Race Relations" on Wednesday evening. An important spot on the agenda will be the presentation of the proposed budget, for undoubtedly the budget will reflect the growing life of the Church in the Diocese. The convening of the convention in Hickory will give the delegates opportunity to see the fine new edifice of the Church of the Ascension. Clergy, lay delegates, and observers should make every effort to attend this important convention; the 28th since the organization of the Diocese from a missionary district.

## OVER THE TOP

Our Diocese was asked to meet a goal of \$4,500 on March 12th as our share in this years portion of the \$2,000,000 Advance ordered by the San Francisco Triennial. At this writing, the offerings in the Diocese for that day total \$6,177.85—over \$1,600 beyond expectations. Late returns will probably bring the total to over \$6,500! Though we ought not to be too self-complacent about this accomplishment, nevertheless it gives us reason to rejoice. It indicates that the "laymens movement" is not merely a "paper organization" set up by National Council, but rather a constructive force in the life of the church on Diocesan and local levels. Our Diocesan Committee on Laymens Work deserve laurels for their effective presentation to the parishes and missions of the Advance needs. It also indicates that our local Church program, although enjoying much "congregational" freedom, nevertheless is a total program of the whole of the Church; the promotion of the Advance by the clergy of our churches is not insignificant. Finally it indicates that Episcopalians throughout our Diocese are not only aware of the needs of the total program of the Church but are willing to assume their share of those needs, yes, more than their share. Although the Advance program to date has been one of fiscal consideration, we ought to remember that the phase of Christian Education involves more than our dollars; it involves our wills and stewardship in Christ's Church. If the March 12th Offering is an indication of our direction, then we can truly expect to find a new spirit continuing to grow in the Church, especially as it concerns our mandate to pass on to others the truth of the Gospel as it is revealed in the Body of Christ, which is the Church.

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## The Bishop's Message

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HE IS RISEN!! HE IS RISEN INDEED!! It has been with these words that Christians for centuries have greeted Easter Day. Let us see why in these words Christians have always found hope and joy, and with them have sought eagerly to tell others the "good news."

Some Christians feel that Christmas is the more important feast of the Church. They feel strongly that we should celebrate Christmas even more than Easter because there we know that God is expressing His love for mankind by coming into the world. They feel that no greater love can be shown than that God would be willing to come into the world, limited as man is, and exposed to man's temptation and death.

Yet, Easter includes all that Christmas does, for it is in the last week of our Lord's Earthly life, that we see to what ends God will go to reveal himself to Man, and to what ends He will go to bear the brunt of Man's sin. But here on Easter Day, we have not only the teaching of the extreme love of God in going even to the Cross, but the further joy that HE IS VICTORIOUS.

The finest teacher in the world might try to teach me, but if that teacher were not able to teach me, then even her failure would be more discouraging to me. If I am crying for help in a pounding surf, and cannot possibly reach land, and someone comes out to help me, and I don't think that person can possibly overcome the power of the whirling water, I am more discouraged than helped. But if I am sure that the teacher or the life-saver can overcome all of the difficulties in which I am involved, then it is "good news" to know that such strength is available, . . . yes even brought to me.

He is Risen! He is risen indeed! This is the cry of the Victorious Christian who knows that despite the seeming strength of evil in this world, that evil is overcome . . . That despite the seeming finality and victory of death, God in Christ is victorious, and that we are partakers of His victory.

Evil is defeated. Death is conquered. You and I in Faith in Christ Jesus have no further fears or anxieties, for He lives in us and we in Him.

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## Patterson Progress

Patterson School, an institution of the Diocese, in Happy Valley, Ledgerwood, reports some progress towards the goal of \$50,000 needed for property improvements. Reported in the March Issue of this paper was the sum of over \$8,000 subscribed in Grace Parish, Morganton. The citizens of Caldwell County, in which the School is located, have raised over \$13,000 for the fund; this sum to go directly into the cost of the new gymnasium. Patterson School has been a strong factor in the developing life of

Caldwell County through the years, and peoples from all denominations and agencies, regardless of faith, have responded in a fine measure to the improvement needs at the school. Episcopalians can indeed be proud that one of their official institutions has deserved the recognition of the whole community it serves. Superintendent Weise, and staff, deserve congratulations and the hearty financial support of the peoples in the Diocese.

## The Bishop's Schedule

April 9, 1950	
Easter Day	8 A. M. Asheville School 9 A. M. Church of the Redeemer, Craggy 11 A. M. St. George's, Asheville 4:30 P. M. Highland Hospital
April 11-15	Salt Lake City, Utah, for a meeting of the Joint Commission on Rural Work of the General Convention.
April 16	11 A. M. St. John's, High Shoals 3 P. M. Consecration of St. Mark's Church, Gastonia 8 P. M. Christ School Arden
April 19	Executive Council Meeting
April 22	3 P. M. Presentation service at St. Agnes, Franklin 8 P. M. St. Barnabas, Murphy
April 23	9 A. M. Chapel of the Holy Comforter, Andrews 11 A. M. Church of the Messiah, Murphy 4 P. M. Presentation Service, Trinity, Asheville 8 P. M. St. Francis, Rutherfordton
April 24	District Meeting of the Woman's Auxiliary, St. Mark's, Gastonia
April 25	District Meeting of the Woman's Auxiliary, Grace, Morganton
April 27	District Meeting of the Woman's Auxiliary, Asheville
April 28	District Meeting of the Woman's Auxiliary, Tryon
April 30	District Meeting of the Woman's Auxiliary for the 5th District 3:30 P. M. Presentation Service, St. John's Marion 7:30 St. Andrew's' Canton.
May 1-7	Preaching Mission at Patterson School
May 7	8:00 P.M. St. James, Hendersonville
May 9-10	1:30 P. M. Speak at W.C.T.C., Cullowhee Meet with Canterbury Club.
May 10-11	Diocesan Convention, Hickory

## Lenten Offerings

THE CHURCHMAN was in error (March Issue) in reporting that the Lenten Church School Offerings would be presented for the Convocation of Asheville at Fletcher and Highlands. The revised plans call for the presentation to be made in the western area at St. Agnes' Church, Franklin, on the afternoon of April 22nd, Saturday; the presentations for the eastern section of the Convocation will be made at Trinity Church,

Asheville, on the Second Sunday after Easter, April 23rd, at 4 P. M. The Convocation of Morganton will make their presentation at St. John's Church, Marion, on the Third Sunday after Easter, April 30th, at 3:30 P. M. The Bishop of the Diocese will be present at all Presentation ceremonies and will give the addresses. It is hoped that all church schools will wholeheartedly attend these Presentation Services.

# Laymen's Conference

*By John T. Roughton  
Publicity Director*

Headline News! The Lord has truly blessed us beyond our deserts and beyond our fondest hopes.

The Rev. Arnold M. Lewis, Executive Director of the Presiding Bishop's Committee on Laymen's Work, with headquarters in New York, has accepted our invitation to be the featured speaker for the Diocesan Conference of Laymen at Patterson School on June 3rd and 4th—the first week end in June.

The Conference begins at noon on Saturday, June 3rd, and will be completed with dinner, (1 P. M.) Sunday, June 4th. A fine program of work and play is in the course of preparation. There will not be a dull moment in the 24 hours—renewing friendships, making new ones, swapping knives or preachers—a championship soft ball game and a swim for the athletically inclined.

Bishop Henry will be with us on Saturday and through breakfast on Sunday morning. He has re-arranged his sched-

ule in order to attend most of our session.

The presence of Arnold Lewis at our Conference is a clear indication that the National Church is vitally interested in this Diocese. Arnold will be in one of the Western Provinces in May but will back track to bring to us the inspiration that has fired laymen of our Church throughout the Nation.

George Wiese can accomodate 75 men so that each Key Man may bring one or more laymen to the Conference at Patterson School. Make your plans now.

Ralph Todd has arranged with a laundry in Lenoir to furnish all bed linen. We may need blankets, so ask your wives if you may bring one old blanket strapped to your suitcase or in the back of your car.

The registration and tuition fee will be \$2.50 per man to cover a nights lodging and four meals from Saturday lunch to Sunday dinner, both inclusive.

## Laymen At Work

*By A. B. Stoney*

Diocesan officers of the Presiding Bishop's Committee on Laymen's Work met March 9th in the home of Chairman A. B. Stoney in Morganton and laid plans for the Laymen's Conference to be held June 3rd and 4th at Patterson School, Legerwood. In attendance were J. Ralph Todd of Lenoir, Edwin S. Hartshorn, Asheville, the two area chairmen—Ben H. Sumner, Spindale, secretary-treasurer; John T. Roughton, Morganton, Publicity Director and Mr. Stoney.

In outlining his views of what should be accomplished at the June conference, Mr. Stoney said that carefully selected speakers will lead discussions of lay ac-

tivities now in successful operation in the Diocese. The exchange of ideas plus the inspiration and guidance to be had at the conference is being counted on to spur lay activity, especially the work of increasing the number of candidates for confirmation.

Mr. Stoney reported that he had received word that the Rev. Arnold M. Lewis, Executive Director of the National Committee for Laymen's Work with headquarters in New York, will be present and will be the featured speaker at the conference.

Seventy-five men are expected to participate in the twenty-four hour session for which Superintendent George Weise

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# WOMAN'S AUXILIARY

*By Lenthe Rush Campbell*

## DISTRICT INSTITUTES

Our President, Mrs Kemper and the District Directors have worked out an excellent set-up for our Training Institutes. The women of the Diocese have long felt the need of training institutes where we may help and be helped in our Auxiliary work. The success of the institutes will depend on YOU.

The following are the dates for the District meetings. Mark them on your Calendar NOW!

Districts—First—Thursday, April 27th,  
Hendersonville

Second—Friday, April 28th,  
Asheville

Third—Tuesday, April 25th,  
Morganton

Fourth—Monday, April 24th,  
Gastonia

Fifth—Sunday, April 30th.

Each meeting will start at 10 a. m. with the celebration of Holy Communion. From eleven to twelve there will be a business meeting. There will be noonday Prayers. The lunch hour will follow at 12:15. Promptly at 1:15 The Training Institutes will start with an orientation session of about twenty minutes for the entire group.

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6. Altar Guild

Youth and Student Work

The Work Shop groups will have a full hour session for the discussion period. Following the hour session, the entire group will assemble for a brief time before adjournment. Don't worry about the hour being late, for you will be on your way home by 3:30 p. m.

These tentative plans should thrill every member in our Diocese—and that means every woman in every Church. So **MAKE YOUR PLANS TO ATTEND ONE OF THE INSTITUTES.**

A Prayer, in its simplest definition, is  
merely a wish turned heavenward.

—Phillips Brooks.

Prayer is the voice of faith —Horne.

You Pray in your distress and in your need: would that you might Pray also in the fulness of our joy and in your days of abundance.

—Gibran.

If I am right, Thy Grace impart,  
Still in the right to stay;  
If I am wrong, O teach my heart  
To find that better way! —Pope.

Ask, and it shall be given you—seek and ye shall find; knock and it shall be opened unto you.—Matthew VII 7.

## CHILDREN GIVE TO CHURCH

**\$1,510,738**

Gifts totaling \$1,510,738.45 have been made by children and young people of the Episcopal Church during the past three years. This sum includes four special offerings by Church School children and youth. The largest, \$1,510,738.45 is the Church School Lenten Offering, which is used for missions in all parts of the world. The other special offerings are the Birthday Thank Offering, the United Youth Offering, and Christmas Boxes.

## NEWS OF THE DIOCESE

### **Without Benefit Of Clergy**

St. Mary's Church, Beaver Creek, has discovered that Israel can often do more than expected without a clergyman. The good people of that mission near Jefferson have, of their own accord and without benefit of clergy, recently conditioned their Church property, spending more than \$1000. The Church has been underpinned and enclosed; a new roof and flu constructed. One of the constituents of the Church, Mr. Earl A. Ray, Sr., has supervised the work, and all the people have responded well to the project. Such signs of vitality in our Churches betrays a deeper spiritual growth.

### **St. George's—West Asheville**

The new mission recently organized and admitted to the Diocese located in West Asheville is to be known as St. George's Church. Eighty-eight families have been contacted in that new work. Until a minister-in-charge can be named, the work is being carried on by the laity. Other new missions recently admitted to the Diocese are, Grace Chapel, Asheville; Holy Comforter, Andrews; and St. Barnabas, Murphy.

### **Men of Church Street**

The Men of Church Street, Asheville, including the laymen of our Trinity Church, Central Methodist Church, and First Presbyterian Church, are again observing Lent together with Sunday evening services at the several Churches, and noon-day preaching at the Imperial Theatre. Dr. F. Crossley Morgan, representing the Presbyterian Church U. S., is the first week's speaker. The Rev. Ralph Meadowcroft, a distinguished preacher in our Church, will give the Passion Week addresses. The Holy Week addresses will be presented by Metho-

dist Bishop Paul B. Kern. This annual observance by the Men of Church Street was initiated many years ago by Trinity Church.

### **Rossmassler Tenders Resignation**

The Bishop reports that he has received notice that Fr. E. O. Rossmassler, resident chaplain at Christ School, has tendered his resignation. Fr. Rossmassler will remain at his duties until the end of the current curricular term. Christ School is an institution of the Diocese located at Arden. Fr. Rossmassler has been canonically connected with this Diocese since November 15, 1948; coming here from the Diocese of Maryland.

### **Zither of Many Strings**

Lovers of poetry within the Diocese will be interested in securing a copy of Marie Aldrich Cravner's "Zither Of Many Strings" published recently by the Stevens Press, Asheville. It is a collection of poetical works of Mrs. Cravner written over a period of several years.

Mrs. Cravner, wife of the Rev. W. C. Cravner, Rector of St. Mark's Church, Gastonia, has brought literary distinction to our Diocesan family. Quite a few of the poems contained in "Zither of Many Strings" were first published in past issues of THE LIVING CHURCH and other current periodicals; others are published for the first time in this delightful little volume of verse.

### **Men In Kitchen**

A new "twist" to the custom of a monthly corporate Communion of the Brotherhood of St. Andrew has been worked out recently by the Grace

Church, Morganton, Brotherhood. Two members are taking turns cooking breakfast and having it ready in the Parish House immediately following the 8:00 A. M. Celebration. Furthermore men outside the membership of the Brotherhood are invited to attend. Breakfast is paid for by the Rector's Discretionary Fund, but members of the Brotherhood are reminded of this fact when they pass the alms basin. Some 25 men made their Communion. This was an increase of better than a hundred per cent over the former average attendance. Much greater success as to number attending might make it difficult to finish washing the dishes before the opening of Church School!

### **Concerto Of Life**

The Rev. John W. Tuton, Rector of Trinity Parish, Asheville, is the speaker of the spoken portions of a new radio program emanating from Station WLOS, Asheville, on Sundays at 1 P. M., entitled, "Concerto of Life." The program highlights a recording selected from the repertory of the worlds best music. The listener hears Mr. Tuton's voice via wire recording at the close of the musical portion. His conversational addresses concern the Parables of Our Lord, and are recorded in his study at Trinity Church earlier in the week. The program is unique and no doubt will receive wider listening. WLOS, Mr. Tuton, and Sound Products Company, the sponsor, have set a high standard of radio programming for our area.

### **Stoney For Senate**

Mr. A. B. Stoney, Grace Church, Morganton, and Chairman of the Diocesan Committee on Laymen's Work, has announced his intention to run for the State Senate. At this writing, the editor, having no knowledge of Mr. Stoney's political affiliation, can say that if his record as a Churchman is to be taken into account, the voters in his district will send him to Raleigh.

### **Winters Ordained Priest**

On April First, the Rev. Rhett Y. Winters was ordained to the Sacred Priesthood by the Bishop of the Diocese. The scene of the Ordination was the Church of the Transfiguration, Bat Cave, where Mr. Winters has been serving as Deacon-in-Charge. The candidate was presented by the Rev. James P. Burke; The Rev. Hall Patrick, Albemarle, was the Gospeler; The Rev. George B. Dayson was Epistler; the Rev. Mark Jenkins was Litanist. The ordination sermon was preached by the Rev. R. Emmet Gribbon, Jr., Clemson, S. C. The Womens Auxiliary served lunch in the parish rooms after the ordination.

### **St. Agnes, Franklin**

St. Agnes Church, Franklin, has revived work on its Parish House, which was begun several years ago. The greater portion of a fund given in memory of the late Mrs. J. W. Cantey Johnson was used for wiring the Parish House. A contribution in memory of the late Mr. J. E. S. Thorpe will be used to help build the chimney. The Woman's Auxiliary of St. Agnes Church is having a series of bake sales, the proceeds from which will go into the finishing of the Parish House—plumbing, painting, heating. One of the hardware stores has given a second-hand electric stove to the project. After the building is more nearly completed, the men of the congregation will do the painting jobs, and the women will work on "interior decoration." Upon completion of the building, the Sunday School classes will be held there. At present, the Sunday School meets in the Rectory.

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The St. Agnes Auxiliary has been instrumental in reviving interest in the Girl Scout program in Franklin. Due to a lack of trained leaders, there has not been an organized troop in Franklin for several years. Through the efforts of the Auxiliary, leadership training courses are now being conducted. The Auxiliary

has agreed to sponsor an Intermediate troop as soon as one can be properly organized.

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A Nursery Department has been added to the St. Agnes Sunday School. This is held on the first and third Sunday mornings during Church time, so that the young mothers can attend the services more regularly.

### **All Souls, Biltmore**

During Lent there has been a series of suppers and lectures in the Parish House of All Souls Church each Thursday evening, the suppers at 6:30, and the lectures at 7:30 p. m.

The lectures have been on Church History. The series is as follows:

February 23—"The Early Centuries"  
—The Rev. Gale D. Webbe

March 2—"The Mediaeval Church"  
—The Rev. W. C. Cravner

March 9—"The Reformation"  
—The Rev. John W. Tuton

March 16—"The Great Century"  
—The Rev. Isaac Northup

March 23—"The Contemporary Church"  
—The Rt. Rev. George Henry, D. D.

### *The Rector Writes:*

The series has been most enjoyable because of their precision. We sit down promptly at 6:30 and the lecture begins promptly at 7:30 and ends at 8:20 with an opportunity of questions until 8:30. All this has been made possible because of the very thorough renovation of the Parish House about a year and a half ago, making it very simple to feed large gatherings of people. However, at these particular series, our capacity of 140 was filled. Tickets for the *entire* series were sold out early in the game, so great was the interest, and no single tickets could be purchased. A few tickets were sold for the lectures only at 7:30.

This series has met with wonderful applause in the Asheville community. Unfortunately only a very few tickets could be sold to persons outside of All Souls Church. The series has been so successful that something of the sort will certainly be done next Lent.

The series was undertaken for the reason that Lent in All Souls Church in time past has offered so little in the way of evening opportunities for the men. The men have responded to this opportunity and have thoroughly enjoyed it. The series has also been a delightful opportunity to put into action the six women's committees recently organized for just such occasions by a group of thirty-six women of the congregation. The Rector turned the problem of providing food for these large gatherings over to these women, and they solved the problem and now undertake all functions involving the kitchen.

### **Choral Evensong**

Something new was started this Lent in All Souls Church, a Junior Choir has been organized by Clemens Sandresky, our organist and choir director, and each Sunday afternoon at 4 o'clock—Passion Sunday afternoon is an exception because of the Cantata and Drame—this Junior Choir renders Evensong in the Church by candlelight. Fortunately All Souls Church was recently given beautiful candlesticks that conveniently fit on each pew. They were made personally by the Hon. Junius G. Adams in his workshop, woodcraft being a hobby of his. The services of Evensong have been well attended, and the training for the children is very valuable indeed. There is no sermon, the rector renders the Office of Evensong, and Junior Choir singing a canticle, and in particular they have enjoyed both the evening hymns and especially the hymns for children in the new hymn book.

### **Family Portrait**

An unusual service of music and drama will be presented in All Souls



Church, Passion Sunday afternoon, March 26, at 4:00 p. m.

Act III, Scene 2, from "Family Portrait," a Broadway hit with a long run, of about ten years ago, will be presented. Judith Anderson starred in the play on Broadway. Locally it is a Broadway actress who will play the part of Mary the Mother, Mrs. Joel B. Adams, the former Dorothy Beattie, who will play the part was in the cast of "Edward My Son," the recent Broadway hit. She played the part of Edward's wife.

Other members of the cast are equally well known here in Asheville. Mrs. Laura Schnorrenberg who had a leading part in the recent production of "Medea" will play Magdalen. Mrs. Mary Ward, well known in theatre work will play the part of Mary Cleophas. Mr. Manly E. Wright, a Vestryman of All Souls Church will be Nathan, the inn-keeper.

The off-stage mob scene which, together with the Roman trumpeter adds greatly to the dramatic climax of the scene, will be played by Latimer Rudolph, Harry Moreland, Landon Roberts and Mr. and Mrs. McBride.

The scene is under the able direction of Miss Laura Plonk.

"Family Portrait" is one of the most engaging presentations of the life and teaching of Our Lord, thoroughly modern and thoroughly reverent. It is particularly appropriate that it should be presented in a church. For the produc-

tion a special stage will be put in place, extending the chancel of the church right out into the nave, in the tradition of the staging of the Mediaeval mystery plays. In All Souls Church this is done in order that those sitting in the transepts on either side will have a full view of the action.

The scene will be set most appropriately within the singing of the Cantata of the "Crucifixion" by Stainer. The portion of Holy Week, which began with Palm Sunday, will be sung by the choir until the story reaches the scene in the Upper Room, at the time of the Last Supper. Then the scene will be presented; the trial of Jesus will be heard in the distance by the shouting of a mob off stage. The dramatic action will be suddenly interrupted. The players will exit and the story will be continued by the fortissimo entrance of the choir, taking up "The Crucifixion" itself in music.

The choir will be under the direction of Clemens Sandresky, organist and choir director. The soloists will be: Martha Heygel, soprano, Richard Ford, baritone, and Sam Owen, tenor.

Responsible for the smoothness of the whole production, since the scene has to be laid in the sight of the congregation half way through the service, will be a group of acolytes specially trained by the rector: William Holt, Robert Suttle, Jim Campbell, Sheldon Campbell, Miller Jackson.

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## **GIVES ALTAR CLOTH EMBROIDERED BY KING TO DELAWARE CHURCH**

Wilmington, Del. — Erik Boheman, Swedish ambassador to the United States, presented a red altar cloth, personally embroidered by King Gustav V of Sweden, to historic Old Swede's Church here.

In making the presentation, Mr. Boheman said that both America and Sweden are "guardians of the Christian faith, of freedom of the individual, and of democracy."

The Rt. Rev. Arthur R. McKinstry, Bishop of the Episcopal Diocese of Delaware, accepted the altar cloth.

## Other Christian Bodies

*Texas Baptists* have embarked on an extensive FM radio program. In Dallas a \$75,000 Baptist broadcasting station has been on the air; it is intended to be a key station in a state-wide FM network. The State Convention of Texas Baptists found that over 500 local Baptist churches have made tentative applications to the FCC for small power FM stations to serve their immediate locales . . .

*Methodists* across the nation have been stirred up concerning an article by Stanley High some weeks ago in *THE READERS DIGEST*, written about the "pink fringe" of several agencies of the Methodist Church. Ministers and laity of the local level have reported cases of high temperature, in some cases, the pastoral relationship of the minister has been very precautions. At this writing, the controversy has been calmed

through open discussion and honest editorials in *THE CHRISTIAN SCIENCE ADVOCATE*, official Methodist weekly. Mr. High's article, by all measurements, was misleading, to say the least. . .

*The Congregational - Christian and Evangelical and Reformed* merger has been definitely stopped by the decision of Judge Meier Steinbrick on the proposed merger plan of the Congregationalist's General Council. The judge made the point that the local Congregational-Christian churches were essentially autonomous, legally, and, that the General Council could not act in any way which would hinder the funds or property of these local congregations. The proposed merger of the two communions would have been unique in that it would have wedded a truly "congregational" policy with the traditional liturgical emphasis of the "E & R" communion . . .

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### **DISTINGUISHED EDUCATOR TO ENTER MINISTRY OF EPISCOPAL CHURCH**

Rutland, Vt.—Dr. John M. Thomas, former insurance executive, author, and president of four colleges, will be ordained a deacon of the Episcopal Church on April 23. Dr. Thomas is 80 years old.

New careers are an old story to Dr. Thomas. Before assuming the presidency of Middlebury College in 1908, he was a minister of the Presbyterian Church, stationed at Orange, N. J. Later he held the position of president of Pennsylvania State College for four years, leaving to become president of Rutgers University

in New Jersey. Between 1930 and 1938 he was vice president of the National Life Insurance Company in Montpelier, Vt. In 1938 he was named president of Norwich University. He is the author of several books on the Bible.

Dr. Thomas explained his turn to the Episcopal ministry by pointing out that there are no Presbyterian churches in this part of Vermont. "It seems only proper and natural," he said, "that I should seek the same position in the Episcopal Church. I hope I can be useful."

The Rt. Rev. Vedder Van Dyck, Bishop of Vermont, will officiate at the ordination on the 23rd.

## Christian Ethics

Taking liberties with the Revelation of St. John the Divine, some of us have come to the conclusion, in terms of current definitions, that we are neither "wet" nor "dry", and, under the circumstances cannot be one or the other. We would be closing our eyes to reality if we did not recognize the gathering political storm over the question of "prohibition." The issues are so scrambled that a conscientious Christian citizen finds it difficult to see the real issues, say nothing of coming to any conclusion about them. Some things need to be seen however, on both sides of the controversy. Organized commercial interests, for their own gain, are supporting one side or the other. One of the largest financial supports of the dry movement are the large soft-drink manufacturers. On the other hand, the distillers, brewers, and distributors are pouring thousands of dollars into their advertising and lobbying. Certain bodies of Christians are giving the "drys" unanimous support, and subtly coercing

their members to sign petitions and "white cards." At the same time these Christian bodies are saying nothing about the social or economic structure that begets a civilization which creates the conditions from which men flee via alcohol. On the other hand, liquor and beer advertising is essentially falacious, as is much consumer goods advertising. None of these important facts should hide from us the prime fact that alcoholism is a deadly cancer in our culture, and, as such should be controlled as any other disease. To this end, we wholeheartedly support as individuals any positive legislation, such as a good bill concerning liquor advertising, or an honest and comprehensive ABC program. In Western North Carolina the public issue is quite divided. We can do something about the problem by dealing with it honestly when it is in our midst; by informing ourselves of basic issues; by discussing it in our families and church groups.

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### MAY HAVE BISHOP FOR ARMED FORCES

The Episcopal Church has made provisions for a Bishop to be in charge of the Church's work among the Armed Forces. He will be a Suffragan to the Presiding Bishop, and no election and consecration will take place until increase in the number of chaplains, or some emergency makes it advisable to have this supervisory and pastoral oversight of work among men and women in uniform.

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### MANY STUDENTS TO BECOME MISSIONARIES

In a student body of 150, the Virginia Theological Seminary, Alexandria, which trains young men for the ministry of the Episcopal Church, has 26 students who

intend to make their life-work that of a missionary in some overseas country.

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### TOO LITTLE TIME ALLOWED FOR CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

People expect their children to be educated in religion in about twenty days, declared the Rev. Dr. John Heuss, Director of the Department of Christian Education of the Episcopal Church in a recent statement. The normal Church School year, he pointed out is forty weeks. Perfect attendance of a pupil would be forty times a year for twelve years. This amounts to twenty days of full instruction and impression in the life of the Church. "Think of this! Such a sliver of time is used in Christian education in the life of a child," Dr. Heuss concluded.

## Beyond Our Borders

Bishop Frederick L. Barry of Albany received from a total stranger living in another state, a check for \$1,000, with a letter saying that he had heard of the 1950 increased budget for the general Church, "the great Venture of Faith, and I salute you. Accept the enclosed check for your own bread and butter in the diocese." The Bishop tells also of a check from a member of the Woman's Auxiliary for \$500, and a doubled pledge from the W. A. itself. Two of the clergy have announced that they are tithing. Bishop Barry comments, "Such results are inevitable when we let ourselves go spiritually."

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Chaplain James Edden, stationed at Camp Leroy Johnson, New Orleans, reported a baptism which was unique in several respects. The mother was a member of the Episcopal Church, a Japanese from Honolulu; the father was a white Louisianian, the officiant a Negro priest, the proxy godparents all

Southern-born. Said Chaplain Edden, himself a Negro priest, "All through the service I had a feeling that this is the way God would like for us to live."

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Good progress is being made in securing assurances for displaced persons, the Rev. Dr. Almon R. Pepper told the National Council at its recent meeting. At that time, Dr Pepper said there were 759 assurances and in many places Church people had started earlier and made assurances through other agencies. He is confident that in the very near future the Episcopal Church goal of 1,200 displaced persons and their families will be reached.

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The Archbishop of York told the congregation of the Cathedral at Liverpool recently that, "When the hydrogen bomb is made there will be in men's hands weapons far more destructive than those which blasted into ruins two Japanese cities. Now that the race to make these

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super bombs has been started it will only end either by their use in war or by international agreement to prohibit or control their manufacture. This is the only alternative—destruction or agreement. It is the duty of all who value our civilization to urge, while there is time, the outlawry and control of this devilish weapon."

Bishop John B. Bentley, vice-president of the National Council and director of the Overseas Department, is on his way to Brazil to visit the Church's work there, and to take part in the con-

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secration of Bishop-elect Egmont Machado Krischke.

Russell E. Dill, treasurer of the National Council, is visiting Puerto Rico, the Virgin Islands and Haiti, for conference with the bishops and missionaries.

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At Sagada, the Philippines, the Rev. James Kollins and the Rev. Robert Pekas were ordained to the priesthood in the Church of St. Mary the Virgin. This was the first ordination to the priesthood ever held in the Philippines where the only American to take part was the Suffragan Bishop. Acolytes, four priests taking part and the two ordinals were all Filipinos.

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### Melish Appeal

Through Joseph F. Fletcher, of our seminary at Cambridge, Mass., an appeal has been filed before the appellate division of the New York Supreme Court concerning the decision against the Rev. John Howard Melish, ousted Rector of Holy Trinity Church, Brooklyn. Eight Bishops, and 1,123 of the Clergy of our Church have indicated their support of this appeal. The brief filed stated, because "we are concerned with (1) the freedom of the priestly and prophetic function of the ministry and (2) the security of tenure of the minister against dissolution of his pastoral relationship contrary to the expressed wishes of a majority of his congregation."

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has offered the full facilities of the school. Further details on the meeting are to be announced later.

Encouraging reports have come to the Laymens Committee during the past month from the following — Trinity, Asheville; All Souls, Biltmore; St. Matthias, Asheville; Transfiguration, Bat Cave; Ascension, Hickory; Redeemer, Shelby; St. Marks, Gastonia; Haw Creek, Asheville; Grace, Morganton; Holy Trinity, Spruce Pine. We must have at least a line or two from other churches. Please do this.

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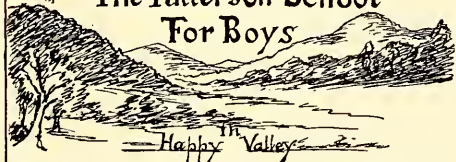
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## The Bishop's **R** To Young Churchmen

The young churchmen of our diocese will soon be out of school. For some, Commencement will mark the end of school "at home." For others it will be the cessation of daily study until next Fall. For all it will be a change.

The question that should be faced is "What will I do with my summer?" I would like to suggest certain concrete parts of your summer program.

A. RECREATION: There are times when all of us should allow rest to rebuild our physical, spiritual, and emotional lives. Don't rush about seeking pleasure and end the summer so tired that you are exhausted.

B. WORSHIP: Your "bounden duty is the worship of God every Sunday in His Church." Wherever you may be during the summer make this a part of your life. You can thereby enter into a sense of the larger fellowship of the Church. In your outdoor life, realize the beauty, grandeur, and miracle of all parts of Creation.

C. SERVICE: With school duties removed, ask for and undertake some responsibility (not ordinarily carried on during the Winter) in the life of the Church.

D. STUDY: You don't stop eating in the Summer. In the same way, do not stop feeding your minds. Find out about those things which you do not have the opportunity to study during the regular school term.

E. FELLOWSHIP: Make new friends. Increase the Christian love that you have for others. Realize that true friendships grow only as the spirit of God (of love) deepens.

Summer camps and conferences are helps in all of these parts of your program. Attend the Diocesan Camp and/or Kanuga if at all possible. If it is impossible for you to attend these events, carry out on your own accord a well rounded life of recreation, worship, service, study, and fellowship.



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Mrs. Fred Maiwurm-----Circ. Mgr.  
Albemarle Park, Asheville, N. C.

## Diocesan Indebtedness

Lest we forget, Mr. Wm. Redwood, Diocesan Treasurer reminds us that indebtedness on the Bishop's House is \$5,000. Payments come due regularly, it seems. The Treasurer reports that some parishes and missions have not assumed a share of this responsibility. The next payment is due in September; perhaps if some of us would remember that deadline, the Diocesan Treasurer might meet the payment without jeopardizing regular diocesan finance? The Executive Council is not anxious to continually remind us of this matter, but there is a great urgency in the months ahead to gracefully reduce this principal.

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**THE DIOCESAN OFFICE, 46 MACON AVENUE, ASHEVILLE, WILL BE CLOSED FROM MAY 15TH TO MAY 29TH. . .**

## WHAT IS PATTERSON CAMP?

THE REV. MARK JENKINS

An easy question to answer is the "what" of Patterson Camp; an answer that is packed with play, study, and worship and all around good fellowship. It is a week-long "get-together" of 65 or 70 young people from our Diocese with a faculty of the Bishop, clergy, and lay counselors. Comes July 2nd, the camp will gather at Patterson School in lovely Happy Valley. Classes comprise the morning's schedule each day (with time-off in between classes); from 9:15 until Noon. The courses have been selected with care and with special reference to what the young people themselves feel they need. These following courses will be taught: "How to know the will of God for me"; "Workshop on local program"; "Parables: their lessons for today"; "Missions"; "How to read the Bible"; "Christian Symbolism". The Rev. G. Mark Jenkins is the Director; the Rev. C. G. Leavell is the co-director. The faculty will include the Rev. Rhett Y. Winters, Miss Aline Cronshey, Mr. George Weise. The whole camp will be graced by the presence and leadership of the Bishop of the Diocese. The Rev. Robert J. McCloskey will be the Chaplain.

Afternoons will be devoted to swimming, athletics, hobbies. The evenings will find us in the Chapel for worship and instruction; before bedtimes the traditional evening programs around the campfire.

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## WHY ATTEND DIOCESAN CAMP?

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*By The Rev. C. G. Leavell*

Every young Churchman of the Diocese should ask himself (or herself) this question: "Why should I attend our Diocesan Camp this year?" Your answer will be a determining factor in the success or failure of the Camp.

Your first answer might be: "I should attend Camp because I am ignorant." Most likely you are ignorant of what the Church and the Christian religion really are; you are not greatly different from your parents in this respect. Real knowledge of the meaning of the Creeds, of the Bible, of the history of the Church, of the missionary work of the Church, of the life of our Lord, of the application of Christian faith to daily living, of the life of prayer, of the Sacraments is a somewhat rare thing even in the pews of our congregations on a Sunday morning. The Diocesan Camp will teach you each morning some of these things you ought to know; you will at least expose yourself to the teachings of the Church. Come Christian educators say a week at a summer conference is worth a whole year in an average Sunday school. We fear this may be true.

Another good answer might be: "I need the inspiration to live closer to Jesus Christ." Mere knowledge is in itself a dull sort of thing unless with it is the uplift of a vision of God, the stirrings of the heart. In the setting of Happy Valley, at the Chaplain's services, around a campfire with fellow Christians, through informal contacts with our clergy and consecrated lay workers, and through friendships formed with other young people who know and love God, real inspiration can and does come.

A very good answer might be that you should attend Camp in order to represent your own parish or mission there, either to swell the number of those at-

tending from your congregation or to be its sole representative. One of the dominant reasons for having the Diocesan Camp is to create a Diocesan consciousness and fellowship among the young people of Western North Carolina. In no small measure this has been accomplished every summer at Patterson School since 1943. Those who have attended have gone back home and been leaders of other young people in their local churches. But young people are getting older right along; they go off to college, they get married, they take their places as adult Christian leaders, and they lose contact with the fine crop of our Diocesan youth of today. We need new, young blood at our Diocesan Camp each year who will go home speaking the language of other young people and converting them to informed and inspired activity in the life of the Church.

Now perhaps the poorest reason, but still a good one at that if it's in balance with the other reasons, is that Diocesan Camp is fun. You should attend if you wish to be in on a "whale of a good time," have more fun than a barrel of monkeys, or a keg of liquor! There is swimming, softball, hiking, dancing, singing, basketball, campfire stories (the stories even if the campfires are rained out!), and all that goes with getting together a group of wide-awake, healthy, sane (and sometimes a bit insane) youth of the twentieth century. Many will testify that they never had a better time in their lives than they have had at some of our evening recreational programs. They are filled with humor, and really all the more fun because they are wholesome, guided by Christian principles, and eye-openers to many of really how much fun it is to have a whopping good time with other Christians and not be bothered with the after-effects of a hang-over of conscience pangs.

If none of the foregoing reasons for attending Diocesan Camp appeal to you, don't come, unless perhaps it is to give to others the sense of God you yourself have already attained and ought to share with other young people. Don't come just because your parents want to get rid of you that week. Don't come *just* to have a good time; if that's your only reason you won't have it, and you'll spoil the fun of others who might have it but for your presence there. Don't come just to have a cheap vacation; there

is too much hard work involved, both mental and physical. Dishes have to be washed, tables waited on, your room and the grounds kept clean, programs shared in by you. Don't come just because you don't wish to disappoint your rector who has approached you on the matter; you'll disappoint him even more if that's your best reason.

"Why attend Diocesan Camp?" We might sum it all up and answer simply to become a better Christian' "to know the Christ, and to make Him known."

**REGISTRATION BLANK FOR DIOCESAN YOUTH CAMP  
PATTERSON SCHOOL—JULY 2-8, 1950**

Name----- Age-----

Address-----

Parish or Mission-----

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Signature of Parent or Guardian

I recommend the above named applicant to the Diocesan Camp.

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(Rector or Priest in Charge)

Cut out this application and mail to the Rev. Mark Jenkins, Calvary Church, Fletcher, N. C., together with \$1.00 registration fee.

**YOUNG PEOPLE GIVE \$20,245.70  
TO BOYS' HOME**

New York—Young people of the Episcopal Church celebrate Youth Sunday each year. In addition to special worship services, the young people make an offering for some special object, usually some missionary work either in this country or overseas. The Division of Youth of the Church announced today that the total offering to date is \$20,245.70, and that it is designated for St. Francis Boys' Homes in Kansas. The Homes care for helpless or dependent boys, including some who have been sent there by juvenile courts or police officials.

**LOCAL YOUTH WINS  
NATIONAL CONTEST**

David Owings, Sixth Grader at Appalachian School, Penland, was the recipient of a Silver Medal and \$25 for his prize winning essay in THE LIVING CHURCH's recent Church School Essay Contest. Besides bringing honor to David, the prize reflects favorably upon an official institution of this diocese. Congratulations go to David Owings, Appalachian School, and Fr. Peter Lambert. David's delightful essay should be read by all churchmen; it will be found in THE LIVING CHURCH, April 23rd Issue.

## YOUTH NEWS

*By Mary Aston Leavell*

Every Friday afternoon during Lent the young people of *The Ascension, Hickory* met in the Parish House for a service of worship and study. The study course, which was conducted by Rev. and Mrs. Campbell, was about Japan. At the last service Miss Chieko Kishi, a student at Lenoir Rhyne, who came over from Japan in September, spoke to the group. She demonstrated the Japanese style of dress, and showed many interesting objects she had brought from Tokyo. Bookmarks made of rice-paper and sea weed, from Japan were given to all those who attended the services. Following Miss Kishi's talk, there was a Japanest tea. Japanese lanterns and umbrellas were given out at the tea.

Another project of this group was to fill three mite boxes. At each Sunday evening service, a mite box was passed around. This offering was over and above what the members put into their individual boxes. The total was eighteen dollars.

Every Sunday evening the Youth Fellowship of Hickory is served a hot supper in the Parish House. The members of the Bishop Rowe and Bishop Horner Circles of the Woman's Auxiliary prepare and serve the meals. The meals make the meetings more enjoyable and the young people really appreciate the interest shown in their work. Once a month the Episcopal students at Lenoir Rhyne College are invited to have supper with the Youth Fellowship.

The young people of *Trinity Church, Asheville* meet every Sunday afternoon, and have supper in the Parish House. During Lent they have been doing much

to help out in the various church services. Some of the members sing in the Junior Choir, the boys assist Mr. Tuton at the altar, and on the Saturday before Palm Sunday they got together and made the palm crosses.

The young people of *Bat Cave, Hendersonville and Edneyville* had Lenten study courses and met at one of the three churches each Sunday. They were given instruction on various subjects, and then quizzed on it. The three persons from each of the churches making the highest score received a free scholarship to Patterson Camp.

The Junior Altar Guild of *Grace Church, Morganton* has been holding study classes during Lent to learn more about the altar and its care. These very interesting courses have been given by the chairman of the Senior Altar Guild, Miss Ethel Gordon. The Junior Altar Guild has also been taking care of the brass. You won't find any shinier brass anywhere in the Diocese!

Topics for recent programs have been Overcoming Inferiority Complexes, What Lent Means To Me, Choosing My Book Friends, and Missions. Attendance at our last corporate Communion (one is held each month at the early service) was increased by the promise of a breakfast afterwards. Two of the members prepared the delicious meal.

The Young People of *St. Mary's, Asheville*, presented the Rector with a crisp \$100 bill recently to buy a water heater for the Church kitchen. That fired a chain reaction; the Church decided to enlarge the kitchen to twice its former size.



## 28th Annual Diocesan Convention

*Church of the Ascension, Hickory*

MAY 10TH

Morning:

Opening Service

Organization of the Convention

The Bishop's Annual Address

Afternoon:

Regular agenda following Rules of  
Order; Constitution and Canons,  
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Reports from Richard G. Stone, St.  
Marys School and Jr. College;  
Francis Craighill Brown, Dean,  
School of Theology, Sewanee

Evening:

Evening Service in charge of the  
Bishop, assisted by Rev. Geo. Day-  
son and the Rev. Robert Campbell;

Address: Harold L. Trigg, President,  
St. Augustines College

MAY 11TH

Morning:

7:30 Holy Communion

Bishop Henry, Celebrant; assisted  
by the Revs. Messers Harris, Win-  
ters, Cambell

10:30 Completion of the Business of  
the Convention

## MARCH 12th OFFERING

RECEIVED BY WM. M. REDWOOD, TREASURER

	<i>PAID</i>
Asheville, Trinity -----	\$ 1563.50
Asheville, St. Mary's -----	212.65
Asheville, St. Matthias' -----	25.00
Biltmore, All Souls' -----	883.02
Brevard, St. Philip's -----	150.00
Flat Rock, St. John's -----	----
Fletcher, Calvary -----	312.50
Gastonia, St. Mark's -----	346.55
Hendersonville, St. James' -----	164.01
Hickory, Ascension -----	103.11
Lenoir, St. James' -----	67.65
Lincolnton, St. Luke's -----	115.00
Marion, St. John's -----	147.25
Morganton, Grace -----	522.00
Rutherfordton, St. Francis' -----	347.02
Tryon, Holy Cross -----	871.25
Waynesville, Grace -----	140.00
Wilkesboro, St. Paul's -----	39.65
Andrews, Holy Comforter -----	14.00
Arden, Christ School -----	----
Asheville, The Redeemer -----	----
Asheville, St. Luke's -----	28.00
Asheville, Trinity Chapel -----	25.00
Bat Cave, Transfiguration -----	14.25
Beaver Creek, St. Mary's -----	----
Bessemer City, St. Andrew's -----	30.00
Black Mountain, St. James -----	39.90
Blowing Rock, Stringfellow M. -----	----
Boone, St. Luke's -----	36.00
Canton, St. Andrew's -----	40.10
Cullowhee, St. David's -----	----
Edneyville, St. Paul's -----	25.00
Franklin, St. Agnes -----	45.00

Franklin, St. Cyprian's -----	13.00
Glen Alpine, St. Paul's -----	10.55
Glendale Springs, Holy Trin. -----	----
High Shoals, St. John's -----	----
Highlands, Incarnation -----	67.35
Hot Springs, St. John's -----	----
Legerwood, Chapel of Rest -----	50.00
Lincolnton, St. Cyprian's -----	----
Lincoln, Woodside, Our Saviour -----	18.00
Little Switzerland, Resurrection -----	----
Morganton, St. Mary's -----	25.00
Murphy, Messiah -----	34.00
Morganton, St. Stephen's -----	8.00
Rutherfordton, St. Gabriel's -----	5.00
Saluda, Transfiguration -----	45.00
Shelby, The Redeemer -----	70.00
Spruce Pine, Trinity -----	14.00
Todd, St. Matthew's -----	----
Valle Crucis, Holy Cross -----	110.80
Asheville, Grace -----	----
Blackstone, Mission -----	----
Cashiers, Good Shepherd -----	----
Cherokee, St. Francis of Assisi -----	----
Dutch Creek, St. Anthony -----	----
Edneyville, St. Peter's -----	----
Lincolnton, St. Paul's -----	----
Lincolnton, St. Stephen's -----	----
Linville, All Saints -----	----
Morganton, St. Elizabeth's -----	----
Penland, Good Shepherd -----	34.69
Rutherfordton, Missions -----	----
Tryon, Good Shepherd -----	3.00
Upward, St. John Baptist -----	3.80
West Asheville, St. George's -----	48.71

**Goal — \$4,500.00.**

**Total Receipts — \$6,898.41.**

## THE BISHOP'S SCHEDULE

May 10-11:	Diocesan Convention
May 14:	Asheville School; All Souls, Biltmore; Sand Hill High School
May 15 to 29:	Vacation
May 30:	St. Augustines College, Raleigh
May 31:	Woman's Auxiliary; Calvary, Tarboro
June 2:	Wedding: Charlotte
June 3:	Laymens Conference
June 4:	Church of the Redeemer, Shelby; St. Andrews, Bessemer City
June 6:	Valle Crucis School Board
June 8-9:	Woman's Auxiliary Convention
June 11:	St. Agnes, Franklin and the Southwest
June 11 to 23:	Kanuga Conferences

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## Winds And Fire And Tongues

*When the day of Pentecost was fully come, there came a sound of rushing wind . . . cloven tongues of fire . . . and all began to speak with other tongues . . .*

Before the next issue of the CHURCHMAN reaches you, Whitsuntide will have been marked. Lest some of you have not read the Acts of the Apostles, Chapter 2, since last year, we would prevent your sudden shock on May 28th by warning you of the strangely contemporaneous sound of those ancient words. Modern apostles of the newest science tell us that the First Century signs could be noted in an explosion of a hydrogen bomb in this Century. On every side we are told of the magnitude and power of an H-Bomb holocaust. The Pentecostal explosion was mighty, too. Points of similarity end here, or do they?

We have attempted to stave-off a 20th century explosion by speaking in many tongues; hoping we can talk ourselves out of experiencing the rushing wind and cloven tongues of fire. Perhaps we have done the same to the Pentecostal possibility, too? Both can be *prevented*. In a real sense both must be *prevented*. Webster tells us that the word "prevent" has an archaic meaning: to anticipate an event by preparing for it. As far as Whitsunday is concerned, the archaic meaning of "prevent" must be used. We need a Pentecostal explosion; God will act through the Church if we anticipate and prepare our hearts for the indwelling of his Spirit. Even so do we need to make use of the common and accepted meaning of "prevent" as far as it concerns an atomic and hydrogen war. It could be averted if we would learn to speak in intelligent language of the wonderful works of God.

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## A VISIT TO "281"

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A year ago, a gentleman of our personal acquaintance, living at that time in the metropolitan New York area, visited the office of the Rev. Arnold Lewis, Executive Secretary of the Presiding Bishop's Committee on Laymans Work, 281 Fourth Avenue, NYC. Our friend asked Arnold Lewis this candid question: "Where on the map of the Episcopal Church is the work of the Kingdom really going strong?" Without a moments hesitancy, Mr. Lewis went to the huge map of the Church covering his office wall and outlined with his finger an area known as THE DIOCESE OF WESTERN NORTH CAROLINA; he said, "Things are happening down there!" A knock at his office door announced Dr. George Wieland, Director of the Home Department of the National Council; Mr. Lewis put the question to Dr. Wieland, and he in turn, believe it or not, said, "THE DIOCESE OF WESTERN NORTH CAROLINA." (With due regard to our friends in other districts and dioceses, both of these gentlemen mentioned other "live spots.")

Beyond the incidental pleasure of knowing that our Diocese has a good name at "281" there are some profound reflections that come to us as we think of the above incident.

In a day where over-all administrative agencies are infringing upon the autonomy of local areas, we have the knowledge that our National Council is not wrapped up in the devices and desires of its own selfish heart. As an agency of

the Church, it is not an agency with privileges apart from the working level of the Church on Diocesan planes. It recognizes its limitations and its purpose. Some national agencies of other Christian bodies have developed top-heavy, beaureacrat, self-sufficient administrative systems that have lost all contact with the Church at work. In our democratic political system, there is some question from the most objective observers concerning the hierarchical powers developed by our national and state governmental bureaus and commissions. We ought to recognize that our National Council has not erred in this respect, and cannot, and will not.

Such acknowledgements thrust definite obligations upon us. We must continue in the direction we are going. The fact that "things are happening down here" is only an indication that greater things can happen. Furthermore the good balance which exists between "281" and the diocese will continue only as the "field work" of the Church continues; this is our duty. In its workings, our polity is both catholic and congregational. Such a balance of freedom and authority has significance beyond the realm of Church administration. The problem of "East and West" in international politics, and the problem of federal power versus state power in our national politics, could be enlightened by such a balance. In other words, we have a mission to fulfill; to make our fellowship so real that some of it will spill-over into the realm of our daily social relationships with others.

### **"CHAPTERS IN CHURCH HISTORY SOON AVAILABLE"**

The second volume of the new CHURCH'S TEACHING SERIES, published by the Department of Christian Education of the National Council, will soon be off the presses. It is entitled, "CHAPTERS IN CHURCH HISTORY" and will be available from the National Council at \$1.50 per copy. If the sale of the first volume in this series was an indication, churchmen will want to order their copies immediately to insure delivery.

# WOMAN'S AUXILIARY

*By Lenthe Rush Campbell*

## **Worship - Study - Service - Fellowship Board Meeting**

The Board of The Woman's Auxiliary met in Asheville at the Diocesan House on March 23rd, with 21 present—A few highlights are as follows:

Bishop Henry gave an encouraging picture of the Diocese. There are four new Missions in the Diocese. The drive for funds for Patterson School is going forward, but needs the help of all of us.

The fall District Meetings will be held Nov. 2nd, 3rd, 5th, 8th and 9th.

The Retreat for women will be from June 5th to 8th at Kanuga.

The dates for the Adult Training Conference are from July 8th to July 21st at Kanuga. A telegram was read from Mrs. William Capers, who, with Mr. Capers is in Texas. We all miss the Capers and pray for their early return to Tryon.

Mrs. Henry was hostess at a delightful lunch.

## **District Offerings**

The offerings taken at the District Meetings will go toward the erection of a Parish House at Edneyville. There is a real need for a Parish House there.

## **Happenings Throughout The Diocese**

FLETCHER: The Woman's Auxiliary at Fletcher is a busy one. The group consists of 50 members and it meets monthly. They have a novel idea which you might like to try. They serve Smorgasboard Luncheons and dinners. At one luncheon they made \$204. The Woman's Auxiliary made eighteen new cassocks for the choir and four new cottas.

MORGANTON: The Lenten Study group at Morganton studied "Japan Begins Again" by W. C. Kerr. We hear the attendance was excellent. They have already started work on their bazaar at Morganton. They have an all day session once a month.

LENOIR: A combined group of the Woman's Auxiliary of Legerwood, Chapel of Rest, and St. James, Lenoir, held a one session Lenten Study Class in St. James Parish House on March 20th.

The meeting convened at five o'clock and two speakers gave talks on Present Day Life in Japan, its Limitations and Needs; also the history of the Episcopal Church in Japan. Supper was served at 6:30 o'clock, and after a short social period, a talk was given on the subject, "Japan Begins Again."

The recreational room was decorated with Japanese lanterns, posters, pictures and maps, and there was an excellent attendance in spite of the inclement weather and considerable sickness.

HICKORY: The Rector conducted a study class each Friday evening during Lent, for the Woman's Auxiliary and any members of the Parish who wished to attend. It was an information class about the Episcopal Church, and was well attended.

New Projects assumed by the different circles of the Woman's Auxiliary are as follows: The Bishop Horner and Bishop Rowe Circles serve a supper every Sunday night to the Young People's Fellowship. The St. Catherine, St. Hilda, and St. Mary's Circles conduct the Nursery School during the eleven o'clock Sunday Service. Circle Members take their turn at the different services. The women also serve a supper once a month for the Men's Club.

Mrs. A. B. Stoney and Mrs. Donnell VanNoppen spoke at the General Meeting of the Auxiliary on March 27th. Their talks were outstanding and the group was greatly inspired by all they said.

## **World Day of Prayer**

What is your Auxiliary doing? We want to hear from you. Don't forget the address: P. O. Box 577, Hickory, N. C.



## Within Our Borders

**MEN WANTED** to seriously consider the Diocesan Men's Convention at Patterson School on June 3rd and 4th. Mr. Stoney and the Laymens Committee of the Diocese have arranged a top-notch program. (See **CHURCHMAN** for April; P-5) The Rev. Arnold Lewis (this issue; P-8) of the Presiding Bishop's Committee on Laymens Work will be guest speaker. See your Rector or Key-Laymen for details. Act now!

**THE MARCH 12TH OFFERING** tally is on page six of this issue. The tally is as of April 24th. The "quota" or "goal" for this offering was \$4500. Perhaps very late reports will bring the grand total to over \$7000.

### Recent Confirmations

The Bishop of the Diocese recently confirmed twenty-five persons at Trinity Parish, Asheville; this fine, large class was presented to the Bishop during Holy Week. The Warden of St. George's Church, West Asheville, presented eight persons for confirmation. St. James, Lenoir, presented seven confirmees to the Bishop. Mr. Arthur Brimley, Grace Mission, Asheville, presented a class of five. In the absence of a resident minister, the Lay Reader at the Church of the Holy Cross, Valle Crucis, presented four candidates. It should be noted that of these confirmations, seventeen were presented by lay people.

**HOLY CROSS, TRYON**, announces that the Rev. L. A. Harkness is acting as locum tenens during April. The Rev. William Way, D. D., S. T. D., will act in the same capacity during May and June. The Rev. Newton Middleton, D. D., locum tenens since the beginning of the year, left after the Easter festival. The parish **COURIER** expressed appreciation for his services, saying, "he made himself not only a vital part of the parish, but also the community."

The Woman's Auxiliary at **TRYON** have awarded a scholarship to Sally Goodyear for Patterson Camp in recognition of her help in the Church School and the Girl's Friendly Society.

**ST. MARY'S CHURCH, ASHEVILLE**, deserves credit for restoring something lost for a long while in religious drama (and all true drama). Two medieval Mystery Plays were presented in the Church on April 14, 15, and 16: "The Resurrection of Christ" and "The Journey to Emmaus." The plays were authentic manuscripts from the late Middle Ages and were produced and staged with great detail to the historical setting of this type, the earliest type of English drama. Mrs. Peter Callahan was the director. The musical score was prepared by Mr. James Dendy. The whole production was effected with the cooperation of the University of North Carolina. Prior to presentation, the Rev. Gale Webb, Rector, wrote, "We dare to hope that we may be starting something that can become traditional here."

**ST. JAMES CHURCH, HENDERSONVILLE**, reports that the special Eastertide offering to reduce completely the debt on the new Sunday School room was successful. The Church Treasurer, Mrs. R. P. Freeze, announced that there was enough money left over to apply on equipment for the room.

**TRINITY CHURCH, ASHEVILLE**, Woman's Auxiliary have recently presented two gifts to the parish: several new tables and chairs for the Parish Hall, and, the reupholstering of several sofas. Trinity announced recently that Mrs. Miriam Brown has retired from her position as Parish Hostess.

**ST. MARK'S GASTONIA**, proudly announce the Consecration of their new Church building by the Bishop of the Diocese on Sunday, April 16th. The

CHURCHMAN carried an exterior etching of the new building in a recent issue. The Programme for the Consecration Ceremony reads: "The hand of Divine Providence might almost be seen in the happy solution to many years of desire on the part of the congregation to have a new Church. On the day of Consecration the entire properties and all furnishings and equipment are fully paid for. In this new location the church has ample opportunity to minister to many people who pass its doors by day and worship there each week."

The establishment and growth of the Protestant Episcopal Church in Gastonia covers a period of a little over fifty years. About 1903 a lot was purchased on West Long Avenue in Gastonia and a church building erected there. It was consecrated November 20, 1903. In 1904 St. Marks was admitted as an organized mission of the Missionary District of Asheville, and in 1915 was admitted as a full fledged Parish of the District.

Some years ago the church building on Long Avenue, as well as the Parish House and Rectory properties, were considered obsolete. About 1943 several of the members of the Parish made contributions toward a fund for the establishment of a new church and Parish House and in 1945 a building fund committee was formally established and sufficient pledges secured from members and friends of the Parish to assure a new home. Mr. William Heyl Thompson of Philadelphia, a noted church architect, was engaged to prepare plans for a new home. During the war, price of building had advanced to a point where funds did not permit the carrying out of the original project. However, in June 1948 action was precipitated when the Associate Reformed Presbyterian Church placed their properties at the corner of York and Franklin on the market with the idea of rebuilding at another location. It was here that the church was presented with a

real opportunity to buy a building well fitted to their needs and the properties were purchased. Under the guidance of Mr. Thompson extensive renovations and additions were made to both the church and Parish House. To conform with the Anglican Liturgy the existing Chancel was re-arranged and deepened to provide a Chancel with Sanctuary and Antiphonal Choir. On the Gospel side space was provided for a Sacristy. On the Epistle side a passage was created leading to the Parish House which is also used as a vesting room for the men of the choir. The organ chamber was above and in it was placed a new organ equipped with chimes made by the Aeolian Skinner Organ Company, the gift of one of the members in memory of her late husband. New pews and new Chancel furnishings made the whole a very harmonious picture with pale green walls and white painted wood work, to conform with the Colonial architecture. The Nave has approximately 250 seats with room for 100 in the gallery. The Choir Stalls provide room for 24 more. The church is entered through a vestibule with stairs at each side leading to the gallery.

The Parish House extends across the Chancel end in the form of the top of the letter T and contains a Rector's study, social hall, kitchen, lounge and robing room on the first floor, and class rooms above.

In exterior appearance the building is distinctly Colonial; the walls are red brick with wood trim and cornices, and the roof is of slate.

In the procession was the Vestry of the Church; visiting clergy; representatives of other Communions; The Standing Committee; the Bishop. The service was arranged by a General Committee of the parish: W. L. Balthis, Chm., Mrs. R. L. Sanborn, Mrs. Bruce Hodges, Jr., E. H. Gregg, C. C. Dawson, Mrs. Bruce Wilson. The Rev. William C. Cravner is Rector of St. Marks.

## Beyond Our Borders

Dr. Harold L. Trigg, president of St. Augustine's College, Raleigh, N. C., has been awarded a National Urban League Certificate of Recognition in cognizance of his appointment by Governor W. Kerr Scott last year, to the Board of Education of the State of North Carolina. The awards are made, according to the citation sent to Dr. Trigg by the Urban League's committee on awards, "to American Negro citizens everywhere who, in the course of the year, have contributed to the rich heritage of our nation." Dr. Trigg is the only Negro occupying such a position in the South.

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Sewanee Sunday—a day for consideration of the work of the University of the South—has been set for May 7,

it has been announced by the Rt. Rev. Frank A. Juhan, Episcopal bishop of Florida and chancellor of the school.

On that day members of the Episcopal clergy throughout Sewanee's 22 owning dioceses will be asked to mention in some fitting way the work of the university, with emphasis on the work of its college of arts and sciences and the contribution to prep school education being made by Sewanee Military Academy.

"No offerings are asked, but vestries have been requested to consider placing Sewanee in the parish budget," Bishop Juhan said.

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Daniel Baker College, located at Brownwood, Texas, became the first

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Church of England Bishop Stephen C. Neill, associate general secretary of the World Council of Churches, who was of the most widely acclaimed speakers at General Convention last year, is on a three-month tour of East and West Africa to investigate theological training there for the International Missionary Council. He will report on trends and tendencies in the areas he visits, as they affect the work of recruiting training and supporting the ministry.

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The Church Periodical Club, in a period of a year, rendered service to 87 dioceses and missionary districts. Among services reported were 18,157 maga-

zines sent regularly; 6,562 donors of current magazines; 1,210,174 magazines in quantity; 21,577 Bibles, prayer books, hymnals and Testaments; 83,829 books; 64,720 leaflets; 22,471 newspaper supplements; 820,960 greeting cards; 142,607 pictures, calendars, games, scrapbooks, etc.; 5,929 music, sheet or in books or records; 4,344 cases of aid to diocesan institutions.

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An analysis of ways of spending the national income of a population of 149,215,000 Americans, as of July 1, 1949, showed that living expenses consumed 60.5%; direct government taxes 15.3%; savings 11.2%; and contributions to welfare organizations, churches, cultural institutions, hospitals, missions and colleges, 1%. The total income was estimated at \$220,000,000,000, and the per capita income \$1474.24. The giving for Church and charity are at an all-time low.

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Savannah, Ga., police department. Churchwomen Gladys Hartley is a policewoman in the same city. Both are members of St. Paul's parish. The work of policewomen in Savannah is largely helping offenders to become reestablished as good members of society.

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Bishop Stephen F. Bayne of Olympia will be one of the leading speakers at the centennial Church of England congress to be held at Christchurch, Wellington, New Zealand, May 16 to 21. The theme of the congress will be "God's Word and God's World." The celebration will be held in conjunction with the centenary of the Canterbury Province of New Zealand.

## JOHN T. FLYNN AND THE FEDERAL COUNCIL

Many Churchmen has been up-set and alarmed by the unhappy reference to the Federal Council of Churches of Christ in America made by John T. Flynn in his *THE ROAD AHEAD, AMERICA'S CREEPING REVOLUTION* (Devin-Adair, \$2.50). Needless to say, his treatise is what one might suspect from a leftist who swung to the right and didn't know where to stop. If a n y *HIGHLAND CHURCHMAN* reader wants to get the other side of the picture, he should write to the Federal Council, 297 Fourth Avenue, New York 10, N. Y., for the pamphlet entitled *THE TRUTH ABOUT THE FEDERAL COUNCIL OF CHURCHES*. Our Church has a stake in the name and purpose of the Federal Council; our Church has given it great leadership again and again. In a real sense, the attack of a complete reactionary against the Council is an attack upon our own purpose. If you have read *THE ROAD AHEAD* get the pamphlet, *THE TRUTH ABOUT THE FEDERAL COUNCIL*.

## EPISCOPALIANS AND CHURCH WORLD SERVICE

THE CHRISTIAN CENTURY (March 29, 1950) carries a report of denominational support to Church World Service for the year ending December 31, 1950; The Protestant Episcopal Church heads the list with contributions amounting to over \$459,000.00. The CWS program is one of the only concrete signs of the ecumenical movement in the world. Episcopalians have an unfortunate reputation from some sections of the "larger Church" of being cool towards the immediacy of a "coming great Church." If truly our hearts are where our treasures are, this not uncommon reputation we have needs aired in the breeze—\$459,000 is a lot of dollars! It is interesting to see that one of the denominations which is making the biggest noise concerning the ecumenical movement; a communion with over 8,000,000 church members supported CWS in '49 to the tune of \$82,293. Another denomination popularly known as being super-evangelical, of small membership, gave \$231,092! The largest Christian body in the South supported the program with a piddling \$10,000. Statistics are never conclusive of spirit and heart, but they show direction. The largest of the denominations claimed that it could not support CWS as much as they should because they have their own denominational program; which Communion doesn't? The '49 fiscal report of CWS can allow us real pride, not to rest on our laurels, but to increasingly become aware of the Church World Service program and its financial needs.

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### LAYMEN TO CONTINUE

In a letter to the bishops of the Church, Robert D. Jordan announces that the Department of Promotion of the National Council is now ready to proceed with a continuation of the laymen's training program which was so splendidly successful last year.

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when it was decided with enthusiasm, that the training program must go on, it was emphasized that its value, educationally, surpassed the fondest hopes. "It has opened a field of opportunity and need which cannot be ignored. The response of the laymen themselves has convinced us that we have just begun to scratch the surface of this vast reservoir of power within the Church."

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## EDITOR'S NOTE

THIS ISSUE of the Highland Churchman carries some news from the 28th Diocesan Convention held last month; no attempt has been made to cover comprehensively all the proceedings of the Convention. We hope that all Churchmen in the Diocese will read carefully the full and official account of the Convention as found in THE JOURNAL when it is published and sent to their Church. Anything printed herein concerning the Convention is subject to the correction of THE JOURNAL.

EVERY ISSUE of the HIGHLAND CHURCHMAN carries some news from the National and Provincial Church, however such coverage is limited. We feel a Churchman cannot be fully informed by merely reading this modest paper. Along with THE HIGHLAND CHURCHMAN on his library table should be CHURCH WITNESS, and the like. A good Churchman is an informed Churchman.

## CONVENTION NEWS

### THE BISHOP'S ADDRESS

Bishop Henry compared the renewed life in the Diocese to the great increases accomplished at the Church of the Ascension, Hickory, seat of the Annual Convention. In Hickory the building fund boomed from \$300 to \$100,000;; current budget from \$4,000 to \$14,000; attendance trebled, and, in two and one-half years 90 persons have been received into the Church. The recognition of the Church of the Ascension is a recognition of the total work in the Diocese.

The Bishop declared that the financial structure of the Diocese was sound, in spite of the fact that the Budget has been greatly increased.

Special recognition was given to the Laymens Work in the Diocese, headed by A. B. Stoney, Morganton. Here is a

new phase of work in the diocese which accomplished great things within the past year, especially in preparing the parishes and missions for the expanded program. Ten laymen spent much valuable time in presenting the program to the Churches. The Lay Readers of the Diocese accounted for 400 daily offices (morning prayer; evening prayer) in missions where there is no resident leadership. Nine churches received the services of the Church which would not have been otherwise possible. To do this, lay leaders traveled thousands of miles at their own expense. Lay leadership also made possible the success of the Patterson School finance campaign, still in progress.

Church buildings and properties, are, for the most part, in fine shape. New

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buildings, extensive repairs, and increased facilities are evident everywhere over the Diocese.

Three new missions are begun, and 2 mission churches reopened for use; Andrews, Murphy, West Asheville, Grace Asheville, and St. Johns, Upwards.

For the churches without resident clergy, the retired clergy gave their services to the Diocese in splendid and unselfish measure. Due to these ministries, most all of the churches received the sacrament of Holy Communion at least monthly.

The Bishop commended the work of the retired clergy: The Rev. Messers Duncan, Kennedy, Sill, Saylor, Cary-Elwes, Dobbins, Farnum, and Taylor.

There were more confirmations within the Diocese in 1949 than in any one year in the past sixteen; the total number confirmed was 333. There are 7 Postulants and 4 Candidates for Holy Orders recorded. There was one ordination. Five clergy were transferred out of

the Diocese; 4 transferred in.

The Bishops record shows the following personal acts: Holy Communion celebrated 58 times; 66 Daily Offices read; 14 baptisms; 4 marriages; 5 burials; 331 Confirmations within the Diocese, 26 confirmed outside the Diocese. The Bishop delivered 134 sermons and 99 addresses. He attended 73 meetings and held 124 personal conferences. He conducted 2 confirmation classes and one lay readers school. Beyond these activities, he attended the General Convention of the Church in San Francisco.

Although the confirmation list is gratifying, the Bishop suggested that each parish and mission set an unofficial goal of 10% of an increase in communicant strength each year.

The Bishop, in regards to Diocesan finance, suggested that there would be no "special" offerings except the Eastertide Offering for Kanuga, the Thanksgiving Offering for Thompson Orphanage, and the Seminary Sunday offering.

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### THE STATE OF THE CHURCH

The Committee on the State of the Church reported that there were around 5000 communicants of the Church in the Diocese and a total of 6,000 baptized persons. There was an increase of 60 baptisms in the past twelve months.

The total giving in parishes and missions was \$419,742 as compared with \$305,197 for the year previous. New building programs are in process or have been effected in Hickory, Gastonia, Hendersonville, Marion, Shelby, Fletcher, Cherokee, and St. Mattias, Asheville.

In the "One World in Christ" Offering for March 12th, the receipts were \$7,000 in response to the \$4,500 goal.

A great need for clergymen is evidenced in the Diocese. Four missions have no regular schedule of services at all. Great opportunities exist everywhere in the area which is populated with an estimated 900,000 people.

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### LAYMEN'S REPORT

The Diocesan Committee on Laymens Work added much to the diocesan life this past year. The expanded program of the national church was shouldered by the laymen in unprecedented fashion. Mr. Stoney expressed his appreciation for the 100% support which the ten members of the Diocesan Committee gave him and the total program. The Chairman urged that the interest and enthusiasm be forwarded into the days ahead by (1) making the Diocesan Mens Convention at Patterson School on the 3rd and 4th of June a success, and, (2) by cooperating with the national program for laymens work which will be expanded this Fall. Mr. Stoney expressed his belief that the total success of the laymens program was due to the untiring leadership of the Bishop of the Diocese.

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### DIOCESAN ELECTIONS

The Executive Council: The Rev. Richard Lee and the Rev. Gale Webbe; Messrs. E. P. Dameron and Manly Whitener.

The Standing Committee: The Rev. Messrs. Campbell, Jenkins, Burke, and Tuton; Messrs. E. S. Hartshorne, A. B. Stoney, Wm. Redwood, and V. J. Brown.

Provincial Synod Delegates: The Rev. Messrs. Jenkins, Morgan, Webbe, Leavell, Lackey, Tuton; Messrs. E. L. Kemper, James Gwynn, George Weise, W. L. Balthis, E. S. Hartshorn, and Hall Walton.

Patterson School Board: Mrs. E. L. Kemper, Ed. Hartshorn, Jr., and the Rev. G. Mark Jenkins.

Kanuga Board of Managers: The Rev. James P. Burke and Mrs. Francis Field.

Trustees to St. Mary's: The Rev. Boston Lackey and Mrs. A. B. Stoney.

Valle Crucis School Board: G. K. Moore, Mont Glacier, and Wm Redwood.

Appalachian School Board: John Schley, Wilkinson, and Benj. Stevens.

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### REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON CHRISTIAN SOCIAL RELATIONS

"One of the basic problems in our world today is that of human relationships as set forth in the Christian doctrine of Man, and the failure to give them expression in our social order. For those of us in this section of the world, it is the specific problem of the relationships between the white people and the Negroes. In this picture, we have the entire colored group deeply stirred with hopes and aspirations for the realization of the rights, privileges and opportunities predicated by Christianity and democracy.

"We have a large number of white people, and the number is steadily growing, who view with deep concern the lack of opportunities for the colored people, and are moved to assist them in every way possible to fit them for entering a larger world of opportunities, privileges and responsibilities.

"We also have in the picture as facts, a number of the colored people, who are a problem to their own race, due to some extent to lack of opportunities to improve themselves. This also applies to the white race. Unfortunately, it is this

worst which gets most publicity in the news. Along with this detrimental factor we have many white people and Negroes whose prejudices are stronger than their Christian love.

"We feel that the time has come to make greater adventures in Christian social relationships. The church cannot enter the political arena, but knowing the boundaries of the Kingdom of God, she should be bold to express her mind on those matters which vitally affect human life, so that the individual member may exercise his citizenship in the light of his Christian profession, and as a Christian to think and do those things which reflect and express the mind which was in Christ Jesus.

"With the above facts in mind, we submit to this convention certain propositions and suggestions which we trust will be approved as reflecting our deep and serious concern.

"We view as wrong the fact that so many persons of the Negro race, who are persons of Christian character and ability, cannot find opportunities through which their talents may be employed. Men and women of college education are often forced into menial jobs in order



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to earn a living. This is not confined to the Negro race. Many white people have the same difficulty.

"We view it as unfortunate that there is such a lack of medical treatment available to the colored people. This fault may not be deliberate, but it exists. In many communities it is being corrected. And Christians should always keep in mind the law that the strong shall help the weak.

"We view it as bad that colored people are so frequently embarrassed in travel, and in finding accommodations while traveling.

"Because of the Christian concept of the worth and dignity of men, regardless of color, lawlessness as expressed in lynchings, and in the Ku Klux Klan activities, as well as the commission of offenses which tend to provoke these evils, should be of deep concern to Christian people. We believe that local authorities should be held to strict responsibility

for such lawlessness in their communities.

"We call upon our people to study these questions anew in the light of their Christian profession, and to make fresh endeavors to express the mind of Christ in all their human relationships.

"In order, further, to better understanding, and thus promote better relationships, we recommend that there be occasional exchange of pulpits between white and colored clergymen; also there be occasional services in which white and colored congregations join.

"This convention heard with interest and deep appreciation the splendid address of Dr. Harold L. Trigg, Wednesday evening, May 10. His courageous statements and wise counsel provide a Christian approach for our working together in peaceful and happy solution of the racial problem."

The Rev. Boston M. Lackey of Lenoir served as chairman of the committee.

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### BUDGET ADOPTED

The proposed budget for 1951 was adopted by the Convention with little or no thought as to cutting items proposed. There was however, considerable discussion concerning the method of reaching assessments and apportionments. Many persons feel that the 10% and 26% "across the board" apportionment is inequitable. A resolution was passed requesting investigation into other methods of apportionment or ascertaining next years schedule.

Increases were noted in most of the budget divisions over this year. National Church Program increased from \$7,500 to \$12,000. Total Diocesan Church Expense increased from \$20,000 to \$28,196.50 (less credits). The Diocese Expense Fund \$11,000 to \$12,449.50 (also less credits). The remarkable growth in the Diocese is indicated in comparing the 1949 Budget with the 1950 Budget; in '49 the totals for National and Dio-

cesan Church amounted to \$25,360—in '51 the same total will run to \$40,546.50.

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### WOMANS AUXILIARY REPORT

Mrs. Martha B. Kemper, president of the womens work in the Diocese, commended the work of the Auxiliary throughout the past year. She reported that there were now 48 local branches of the Auxiliary in the Diocese with a membership of over 1500 women; a goal of 100% increase in membership was urged for the coming year.

United Thank Offerings for 1949 totaled \$4,561.67—for the Triennial, \$12,688.69. There was an increase of \$2,699.69 in this past Triennial over the '46 Triennial. The All Saints Memorial Offering amounted to \$686.66. The Spring District offerings of \$132.01 was forwarded to the work at St. Cyprians, Lincolnton; the Fall District offerings amounted to \$240.95.



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THE DEPARTMENT OF CHRISTIAN EDUCATION reported that many parishes and missions in the Diocese were following the interim curriculum in the Church Schools, preparing for the time when the materials from National Council would be available. Good reports were received from the Diocesan Schools; special resolutions thanked the supporters of the current finance drive at Patterson School. Richard G. Stone presented the program of St. Marys College, Raleigh. Dean Craig-hill Brown of St. Luke's, Sewanee, reported that in the Fall 75 seminarians were expected at the seminary, although facilities were now crowded with 65 students. THE DEPARTMENT OF PROMOTION expressed thanks that promotional suggestions were being used; the March 12th Offering being a good indication. Better press relations was urged and fuller use of radio facilities available. KANUGA CONFERENCE reports were given by the Bishop who reported over \$2,000.00 received from the Province from Eastertide Offerings. The problem of incorporation was being speedily settled for this assembly which is the largest conference of the Church in the United States. THE DEPARTMENT OF CHRISTIAN SOCIAL RELATIONS announced that 7 d.p.'s had found placement; our quota, 15 persons.

President Harold L. Trigg's address to the Convention was ordered to be printed in THE CHURCHMAN during Brotherhood Week next; the expense for such extra printing to be covered through the generosity of All Souls', Biltmore. Miss Francis Query of the North Carolina Council of Churches was presented to the Convention; she commended Episcopalians for their interest and leadership in the work of the Council. The Department reported that the area of cooperation with other Christian bodies was becoming more clear and pos-

itive. Minor changes in the Canon were moved by THE COMMITTEE ON CANONS: the canons were amended to give the Bishop more freedom in organizing missions. A motion to increase parish delegates at Convention from three to four was defeated. The Rev. James P. Burke was elected SECRETARY OF THE CONVENTION; the Rev. Peter Lambert, OGS, Assistant Secretary. Wm. M. Redwood was unanimously elected DIOCESAN TREASURER. In response to the BISHOP'S ADDRESS, it was moved that the goal of 10% increase in communicant strength for each parish and mission be set as an "official mark" for the Diocese. St. Mark's, Gastonia, extended a cordial invitation to the 29th ANNUAL DIOCESAN CONVENTION in 1951. At the request of THE COMMITTEE ON CREDENTIALS the convention authorized the installation of a card index system for delegates seating at the next Convention. The convention recognized the CHURCH OF THE ASCENSION, Hickory; the fine appointments of their new building was exceeded only by the gracious hospitality afforded the delegates by the Rector, Robert B. Campbell, the Vestry of the Church and the whole Congregation.

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### DR. TRIGG ON CHRISTIAN SOCIAL RELATIONS

The Diocesan Convention was privileged to hear Dr. Harold L. Trigg's forthright and honest approach to the race problem from a Christian viewpoint. The Church can be grateful for such an occasion. The address inspired a fine report from the Docesan Committee on Christian Social Relations (printed in this issue), and, for the benefit of all peoples in the Diocese, Dr. Trigg's address will be printed in the February 1951 issue of the HIGHLAND CHURCHMAN on the occasion of Brotherhood Week.

## CLARIFICATION

Old Saint Paul's Church, Lincoln County, has recently been sold and the grave yard within the center of the property still remains under the title and ownership of the Diocese of Western North Carolina. Being Diocesan property the check payable for both building and land will be mailed to the treasurer of the Diocese and at the request of the Bishop of the Diocese the Rector of St. Lukes Church in Lincolnton was able to consummate an agreement whereby the purchaser will fence in the grave yard thereby protecting the graves from grazing animals and in addition will keep this Diocesan property in presentable condition. Several persons at Convention were somewhat confused as to ownership of the property which is entirely a Diocesan responsibility.

Signed—The Rt. Rev. M. George Henry,  
Bishop of the Diocese  
The Rev. Richard J. Lee, Rector,  
St. Lukes, Lincolnton

## Summer Religion

It is quite natural when the warm summer days come to search the out of door life and especially on Sunday. It is only right that we should have times of re-creation and I am sure that God wants us to enjoy the out of door life. However, this should not make us feel that we can miss common worship throughout the summer. One of the glories of the Episcopal Church is that there is always the early service on Sunday at 8 o'clock, which is finished at approximately 8:35, giving a full day to the out of door life to those who so desire and, indeed, making an even greater glory for that day having opened it with participation in the worship of God. We do not ever like to force people to do anything against their will but we might indicate that the Prayer Book which is meant to be our guide does in its offices of instruction say as follows: Question: "What is your bounded duty as a member of the Church?" Answer: "My bounded duty is to follow Christ, to worship God every Sunday in His Church: and to work and pray and give for the spread of His Kingdom." (*Book of Common Prayer*, page 291.)

Might we also observe that our summer religious observance should extend to interesting concern for those who worship with us from far distances. The person in the pew next to you may be a stranger in our midst and at least a kindly bow at the end of the service may go a long way towards making our visitors feel that we are happy that they, too, feel the importance of worshipping God.

(*Trinity Church Bulletin, Asheville, May 14, 1950*)

## TEN PERCENTERS

Taking a suggestion from the Bishop's Address, the 28th Annual Convention resolved that each Parish and Mission in the Diocese set a 10% increase in Confirmations as their goal for the coming year. There is no defense for anyone in refusing this challenge. Actually the goal is small enough at that! We are being asked to add 1 member for every 10 we already have, or, putting it another way, 10 churchmen are being asked to find just one other prospective churchman. If we cannot do that, we are in a sorry state of affairs. Our prediction is that if this challenge is taken seriously

by any 10 churchmen, the 10% will grow into larger percentages before the 29th Annual Convention. Why not form a number of "10% Clubs" in your Church? As a goal, the 10% is a minimum goal. Although we like "round numbers," it would be a very happy occasion if we could report in the months ahead such figures as 30.096% or 63.903% or 88.29% or even (dare we) 99 44/100%. The magic 99 44/100% has sold soap that floats—unlike soap, we cannot float alone and maintain our percentages. . .

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### **CALVARY, FLETCHER**

By MARY CORPENING

The Young Churchman's Club planned Study Classes each Sunday evening during Lent on the subject suggested by the Department of Christian Education of the National Council, i.e., "The Holy Scripture." This study proved so popular that a demand was made at the end of Lent to have these classes the year round, once a month on the second Sunday evening of each month. Though these studies are sponsored by the Young Churchmen, the congregation attended in force with fifty or more out each time.

Forty-six young people were present for our Corporate Communion on April 30th. Breakfast was served in the Parish House after the Service and this was followed by the election of officers. The retiring President, Lillian Bowles, who has been in Chicago the past two months because of illness in her family, flew down to Fletcher to be present for the Corporate Communion and business meeting. The following officers were elected:

William Head, President.

Earl Jones, Vice President.

Peggy Creasman, Secretary.

Abert Baldwin, Treasurer.

Mary Corpening, News Reporter.

Committees were appointed, and a program for the ensuing year was outlined by the new President that promises to make this group the most active one in the Diocese.

It was decided to have formal meetings on the first and third Sunday evenings of each month, with the Study Class on the second Sunday evening, and informal meetings of various kinds at other times. It was also passed by resolution that all members would pledge their dues to the Club.

Ralph ("Pete") Ward, Choir Director at Calvary, was elected Adult Advisor. One wonders if his election was influenced by his Jeep Station Wagon and expertness at cooking! We are happy to have one as interested and active in Youth work as our new Advisor.

Watch this column for plenty of news from our Young Churchmen's Club of Calvary Church.

## WOMAN'S AUXILIARY

### **LENTHE RUSH CAMPBELL**

#### **Institutes**

The Workshop held in the different Districts were a great success. The enthusiasm and large attendance were gratifying to those leaders who had spent much time and effort preparing the material.

Bishop Henry gave an encouraging picture of the Diocese, but he also pointed out those places where we need to concentrate our efforts. Even though

the Workshops are over, "The doing of them has just begun."

Did you know—

That Lincolnton's Woman's Auxiliary helps pay the expenses of two college students?

That Shelby pays monthly toward the expenses of a girl in school?

That 25 women in Rutherfordton subscribe to a Church Paper?

That the Bat Cave Auxiliary is spon-



soring a boy at Patterson School?

That St. Ann's, Brevard, adopted a child at Thompson Orphanage and sends gifts on special days?

That the Auxiliary at St. Paul's, Edneyville, has joint meetings with the Methodists and Baptists?

That St. Cyprians, Franklin, held a study class every week during Lent, conducted by The Reverend Rufus Morgan? St. Cyprians was also well represented at the District Meeting?

That All Soul's Biltmore, is most enthusiastic about the special offering they

give to the Bishop for his Discretionary fund?

### **Annual Meeting**

Before this issue of the Highland Churchman reaches you the Annual Meeting of the Auxiliary will have been held at Kanuga. The dates were June 8th and 9th. The Rev. Kenneth Morris, a former missionary to Japan, addressed the meeting on the work of the Church in Japan and showed a film on Japan. On the second day of the convention, Mrs. John A. Morson, president of the Woman's Auxiliary for the Province of Sewanee presented the provincial program for the coming year.

## **LAYMEN AT WORK**

The First Annual Diocesan Laymens Conference was held at Patterson School on June 3rd and 4th. The advance agenda indicated that here was a conference for the laymen and by the laymen and of the laymen. The clergy were conspicuous by their absence, save for the guidance of the Bishop and the Rev. Arnold M. Lewis, Executive Secretary of the Presiding Bishops Committee on Laymens Work. Mr. A. B. Stoney gave his first report concerning the work of the revised laymens program to this time. Mr. James Peden led a discussion on "Organizing and Operating a Mens Club"; Cary Page on "The Laymens Training Program"; John T. Roughton on "The Brotherhood of St. Andrew"; Robert J. Putnam on "Lay Reading"; A. B. Stoney on "Adult Bible Classes". The

Bishop of the Diocese discussed the problem of "Organizing a New Mission." The Rev. Arnold Lewis addressed the group concerning "The Laymens Job" and "The Laymens Program for 1950-1951."

Mr. George Weise and Patterson School were good hosts to the Conference. It is hoped that the Laymens Annual Conference will grow more and more popular as the years go on, and that it will contribute measureably to the life of the Church in the Diocese.

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The Highland Churchman reaches you in time to remind you of the Annual Laymens Conference of the Fourth Province to be held at the University of the South in Sewanee, Tennessee, on June 15th through 18th.

## **Workshop On Church Music**

From a number of different sources has come the suggestion that an informal study-group or workshop on Liturgical Music be instigated within the Diocese. It appears that much of our heritage in good church music is not being used. There is a trend evident throughout the total church of new interest in this prob-

lem, and there are resource people and materials available for such study. The Editor of this publication will be happy to act as a clearing house for your expression of opinion. Perhaps there is enough interest abroad to bring about definite plans?

## Within Our Borders

Miss Lucy Fletcher, 165 Macon Avenue, Asheville, has been appointed chairman of the BIRTHDAY THANK OFFERING for the Diocese. She reminds us that all such offerings in hand should be sent to her by June 30th; that is the date for our report to National Council. The Birthday Offerings are received in the Church Schools from time to time as a thank offering from the children and youth. Varying from place to place, the offerings are received at birthday times, or at appointed times in the year; in some places all offerings are received on Whitsunday. The National Council has indicated that the '49-'50 offerings will go to our schools in Liberia . . . THE CHURCH SCHOOL LENTEN OFFERING PRESENTATIONS on the Second and Third Sundays after Easter were marked by large offerings or good attendance. A record attendance was recorded at the Convocation of Morganton Presentation on April 30th. Dean Lambert reports that the Banner went to St. John's Marion Church School; Hickory received honorable mention. Valle Crucis had the largest number from the greatest distance and is to be awarded a ½ scholarship to Diocesan Camp. At the Convocation of Asheville presentation at Trinity Church, the award for the highest per-capita offering went to St. Mary's, Asheville; Holy Cross, Tryon was runner-up. APPALACHINA SCHOOL, PENLAND, N. C. desires information where a disused cottage or a chapel reed organ may be found . . . THE MISSION OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD, Tryon, holds its services, Evensong each Sunday at 4 p. m., and Holy Communion at 9 a. m. on the second Sunday of the month. The Rev. George Dayson has been in charge since January. The Church of the Ascension, Hickory, has

sent some used pews and a prayer desk to the Good Shepherd. The building is in good repair after improvements made two years ago . . . ST. MARY'S CHURCH, ASHEVILLE, sponsored an Acolytes' Festival on Sunday after Ascension, May 21. The choir from Christ School was at hand, and the Rev. Peter Lambert, OGS, was the preacher at the afternoon service. Refreshments were served during the social hour after the service . . . THE WITNESS for May 11th carried a feature article concerning THE CHURCH OF THE ASCENSION, HICKORY, in its "story of the week." The cover of the issue carries a picture of the new Church at Hickory, and there are many pictures of Church personnel and people within the covers. The feature story tells of the amazing growth of Ascension in the past few years; of the faithful and progressive congregation, and of the stellar leadership of the Rector and his wife. Another feature article in that issue concerns the "life story" of the Rev. Robert Campbell, Rector at Hickory. The Diocese should be very happy that one of its parishes was selected for this national honor. The WITNESS' circulation of 600,000 assures the Church of the Ascension and the Diocese a wide fame, which of course we deserve . . . Mrs. William Post has been named hostess to TRINITY PARISH, ASHEVILLE. Trinity's external woodwork has undergone a recent painting . . . The series of Lenten week-night addresses on Church History heard at ALL SOULS', BILTMORE, have been published in book form, and may be purchased for one dollar . . . PRE-1940 HYMNALS may be had for the asking at Trinity Church, Asheville, and St. Andrews Church, Canton . . .

## Beyond Our Borders

**NATIONAL BUDGET LAGS**—At the April meeting of National Council, the Presiding Bishop spoke on the status of the 1950 budget. He said that it is not yet possible to announce definite or final figures as to the result of the recent special campaign, **ONE WORLD IN CHRIST**; that many dioceses are continuing their efforts to reach their quotas; that many dioceses have not yet received final reports from their parishes and missions, and that where diocesan campaigns were combined with the national campaign, there is sure to be an elimination of over-payments. (In May it appears that the campaign is \$750,000 below expectations.—Ed.) He said very positively that this is no time for discouragement or despair, and that we must look forward to the campaign next fall as being really crucial.

Bishop Sherrill explained that certain items have been "withheld" or temporarily set aside in making the adjusted budget calculations. He emphasized that items are not out of the budget, but are withheld until money to cover them is in sight. Among the withheld items are the following:

The budget item for world relief was under the withholding plan;

The Department of Christian Education, for the present, will not fill a number of executive positions;

Appointment of new missionaries will be curtailed for the present;

The position of assistant to the director of the Department of Promotion will not be filled at this time;

Missionary salaries which were to be increased retroactive to January 1 will be increased July 1.

The Presiding Bishop said that this

is not a time for criticism of anyone. Fine gains over previous years have been made in many dioceses. The training program for laymen had a fine influence wherever used.

Bishop Sherrill expressed his gratitude for all who helped in the recent campaign. He found great enthusiasm in many parts of the Church, though not in all. He sees the need now for planning, for work, for education all through the Church. "Not despair but determination, is the need as we face the Every Member Canvass next fall," the Presiding Bishop concluded.

The Ven. Norman L. Foote, at present Archdeacon of Montana, will take office August 1 as director of the National Town and Country Institute, the Church's training project for workers in the rural Church field. Mr. Foote is 35 years old, graduate of Princeton and the General Theological Seminary. He has had wide experience as missionary in rural districts in Montana, and is a member of the Joint Commission on Rural Work . . .

Honolulu, T. H.—St. Christopher's Mission, Kailua, became a self-supporting parish on May 1, just two years after a resident priest took charge. He is the Rev. Richard M. Trelease, Jr. The Missionary District of Honolulu now has seven parishes which are fully self-supporting. There are 25 missions and 11 unorganized missions . . .

Washington, D. C.—*Cathedral Prayer* is a new weekly transcribed radio program from Washington Cathedral, carried over Washington station WQQW. It is sponsored by the Washington Committee of the National Cathedral Association, and is to be aired by stations in a number of other cities. *Cathedral Prayer* is conducted by Dean John W. Suter, and consists of music, short ser-



mon, Bible readings, a prayer and benediction. The musical part of the program is directed by Paul Callaway, Cathedral organist and choirmaster. The program is intended to interest non-church goers, as well as Church members . . .

Burlington, N. J.,—Plainsong was first used in this country at St. Barnabas' Church, Burlington. Founded in 1856, the legal title of the church is "The Free Church of St. Barnabas," which proclaims that it was one of the first churches in America which did not collect pew rents. In its 94 years it has had only six rectors . . .

Trenton, N. J.,—Twenty young people are attending a series of pre-martial instruction classes at St. James' Church, Trenton. The rector, the Rev. Gerald R. Minchin, speaks of the spiritual aspects of family life and the need for religious teaching in family circles. Thomas A. Maier, instructor in Consumer Education at Trenton Central High School, lectures on "The Family Budget and Finance." Dr. Harrington English, psychologist, leads the group and Dr. Sey-

mour S. Philo lectures on the physical side of marriage . . .

The Moravian Church of Great Britain has just joined the World Council of Churches, bringing the total of member Churches—Anglican, Orthodox and Protestant—up to 156 in 44 countries . . .

Church World Service is seeking publicity for its new program of contributed supplies. It is requested that no clothing be sent to CWS warehouses unless it is accompanied with an 8c a pound contribution, to cover handling, warehousing, insurance and inland transportation. CWS no longer has funds with which to carry on the program. The need for clothing of all kinds is still great in China, Europe, Korea, Burma and the Holy Land. All clothing must be sent to CWS warehouses prepaid, with check to cover the 8c handling charge. CWS warehouses are 214 East 21st St., New York 10, N. Y.; New Windson, Md.; 510 South Elm Ave., Webster Groves 19, Mo.; and %Pacific Ports Industries, Inc., 100 Brannan St., San Francisco 7, Calif . . .

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Bishop Harry S. Kennedy of Honolulu writes: "You will be glad to know that we have started new work on the island of Lanai, and that I am going to send over a priest each month for services. This is a community of about 4,000 people. We have 25 communicants." . . .

Girls of the Girls' Friendly Society have been making international and interracial understanding real by writing to girls in other countries. Mail has gone between over 3,000 different correspondents to ten countries. With so many Japanese young people anxious to try out their English, the GFS is swamped with letters from Japan, from boys and girls mostly between the ages of 16 and 22. GFS now says to all Church young people "If you would like to adventure in friendliness' in this way, it does not matter whether you belong to GFS or not. Send your name, age and address to Pen Pal Secretary, Girls' Friendly Society, 386 Fourth Ave., New York 16, N. Y. She will try to introduce you to world brotherhood by way of a postage stamp, and satisfy the Japanese correspondent who wrote wistfully, 'I am sitting here with a map before me wondering if my letter will be answered.'

Via the *Messenger* of the Panama Canal Zone comes the story of a Church of England parish at West Hoathly which is temporarily without heat. It announces "When the temperature falls below fifty, the sermon will be reduced

to three minutes." Commenting, the *Messenger* said, "The Tropics have advantages . . .

The Rev. Joseph W. Zneimer, recently called to be rector of St. Matthew's Church, Buffalo, is a former banker. He gave up his business career in 1941 to study for Holy Orders, and was on the staff of Trinity Parish, New York City, then held rectorates in Minnesota. He is a Rutgers graduate and has held important positions in banking and law firms in New York, Newark and Minneapolis. He is a graduate of the New Jersey Law School . . .

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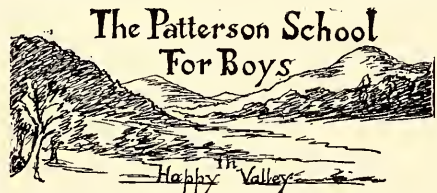
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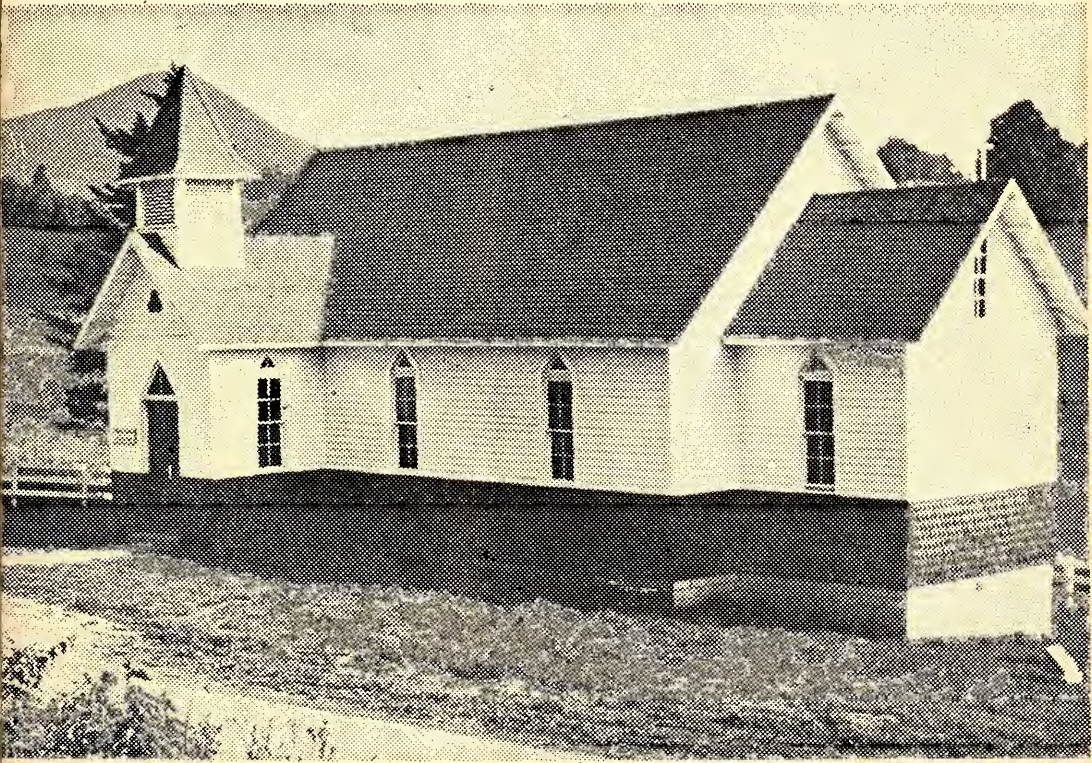
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## SANDING COMMITTEE?

The mere dropping of a "t", an error in printing the 1950 Diocesan Journal, has changed the face and function of a most important committee in Episcopal diocesan polity.—On page 6 of the JOURNAL we discover that we have a Sanding Committee instead of a Standing Committee. Lest by chance a young or unknowing mission committee or vestry apply to that committee for estimates on sanding their church floor, we make haste to note the printer's error. The occasion of the error has given us all an opportunity to make sly and slightly wicked remarks concerning the gentlemen on that committee—all in good humor, of course. It will be unnecessary for us to review the functions and powers of the Standing Committee; we need only recognize that as a steering committee it gives real direction to the Church in the Diocese. In its executive work, it takes many burdens from the shoulders of the Bishop, allowing him more time and energy for his Apostolic ministry.

In so far as the Standing Committee makes the crooked places straight and the rough places plain—it is truly a SANDING COMMITTEE.

## OUR COVER

OUR COVER gives us the opportunity to salute this small but strong congregation of Christ's Church. It further demands that we do some soul-searching as to our attitudes toward the rural church. Miss Virginia Speers, a communicant of St. Mary's, Beaver Creek, so kindly forwarded us copy of the following article written for a recent issue of THE SKYLAND POST, West Jefferson, N. C.

## ST. MARY'S HISTORY RECALLED By Virginia Speers

On Sunday, June 25, a special occasion was observed at St. Mary's Episcopal Church, Beaver Creek. It marked the completion of much needed and extensive repairs and improvements to the church property. The day was graced by the visitation of the Rt. Rev. M. George Henry, Bishop of the Diocese, who brought greetings to the congregation. He was also Celebrant at Holy Communion.

The improvements to the church were not intended to include the large amount of work done, but merely started out to put a new foundation in place of the weakened wooden underpinning put there when the church was built, forty-five years ago. However, when this was done, the members decided that other repairs should be made and the work was continued. A new block foundation was put under the entire church, a complete new roof was put on, the exterior was painted, the interior walls and floor shellaced, a new flue built, a new plank fence built, the lawn graded and grassed and other minor repairs made. The total cost of the material and work on the church was approximately \$1500. This has been paid with the exception of about \$400. Over \$1100 has been paid on this work by donations from members

and friends and they expect to finish payment of this within a few months.

St. Mary's having a membership of about twenty persons, was built in 1905, being the first Episcopal church in this section. The first minister to work in the county was Rev. Milnor Jones, who was sent to Valle Crucis in 1894 and directed by the Bishop to extend his ministrations to Ashe. He made his first visit in 1895 and was so encouraged by the interest he found that he continued coming once a month, holding services at the home of Mr. Rufus Hamilton and in the Beaver Creek Academy, which was leased by the church.

In June 1896, Rev. Jones and Bishop Cheshire came to have a service in the academy and were spending a few days at the home of Mr. Hamilton. On Sunday morning a delegation of citizens came to the house and informed Mr. Hamilton that the Bishop would not be allowed to have the service. In spite of the warning, the Bishop and Mr. Jones gathered together their supplies and went to the academy. More than a hundred men were gathered there and forbid them entering. The Bishop told them he had an appointment to hold a service there and expected to do so. He started to enter and was forcibly prevented from doing so. Being unable to overcome such force he repaired to the home of Mr. William H. Hamilton and had a service in the yard. Nineteen persons were confirmed and a large congregation heard the sermon.

In spite of such inauspicious beginnings the interest in the church continued and in September, 1902, Rev. William R. Savage took charge of a number of missions in Watauga and Ashe, including Holy Trinity at Glendale Springs and St. Mary's at Beaver Creek, holding the first service at the home of Mr. Rufus Hamilton in January, 1903 after which he held services there and at other homes for sometime.

In the summer of 1903 the eight members of the mission living at Todd organized St. Matthews mission.

During the year 1903 decided steps were taken toward raising a building fund, though some money had been raised for that object several years past. Through the untiring efforts of a few members, principally Mr. and Mrs. Rufus Hamilton, who procured aid in and out of the field, the fund grew rapidly until in the summer of 1904 ground was broken for a church and on Saturday, Dec. 23, 1905, the church was used for the first time, the Christmas Tree celebration being held in it. On Sunday, the 24th of December, morning prayer was said and the Holy Communion celebrated for the first time in the new church.

The church was consecrated by the Rev. Junius M. Horner, Bishop, on August 24, 1906, with Reginald N. Wilcox, of Hendersonville, preaching the sermon.

The church, having a small membership, and not being able to afford a full time minister has been served by a number of ministers having a large territory to cover and services have been infrequent, usually once a month.

In June, 1947, Rev. James McKeown was appointed by Bishop Gribbin, as missionary to Boone, Glendale, Beaver Creek and Todd and regular weekly services were held for more than a year. However, more than a year ago Rev. McKeown moved to Texas and there has been no one to hold services since that time.

Having a seating capacity of approximately 125, the church is one of the loveliest in this section.

Names on the church register show that the Rev's. W. R. Savage, J. N. Atkins, J. B. Sill, George Hurlburt, Hugh Dobbins and James McKeowan have been among those ministering most to this congregation during its nearly fifty years of existence.

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**THE WOMAN'S AUXILIARY FALL UNITED THANK OFFERING AND CORPORATE COMMUNION WILL BE OBSERVED ON ST. MICHAELS AND ALL ANGELS, SEPTEMBER 29TH.**

## THE MYTH OF THE RURAL CHURCH—EDITORIAL

The old folk-song, "The little brown church in the vale," may bring nostalgic memories to many Americans who were first nurtured in the Faith within the shaded walls of a little mission church. However, very few people would seriously consider the church in the wilderness to be a typical American church—and yet, such is the case. Contrary to popular opinion, the rural church is *the* typical American church. Let us look at the facts.

Statistics show that, except for Roman Christendom, the great percentage of congregations in American Churches are located in small town or rural areas. In the Protestant Episcopal Church an estimated 66% of our congregations are in "town and country" areas. Over 68% of Methodist charges are "circuits" of two to nine mission churches. The percentage of Southern Baptist congregations in rural areas must be very high, too. The fact remains—our Church is 66% rural.

The time has come to recognize the importance of these facts. There is a popular myth, which says that the Episcopal Church is by-and-large urban and suburban; that there are more Episcopal Churches "on the avenue" than on country lane. Coincident with that myth is an attitude in many minds that the doctrine, teachings, and polity of the Episcopal Church is more suitable to the debonair and pseudo-cultural atmosphere of Gotham than to the plain and unvarnished air of Possum Hollow. The attitude of other Christian bodies towards the Episcopal Church is largely based on this myth and attitude. The sad part of the story is that many Episcopalians are likewise confused. Let's wake up.

There are many people who feel that the small town and rural missions are a "drain" upon established parishes and the total Church. There could be nothing farther from the truth. This writer made a survey of congregations in an-

other Christian body in a metropolitan "conference"—the small congregations, for their size, were doing more than their share of the work in comparison to the large city and suburban churches. On a per capita basis per communicant, the giving of congregations with less than 200 communicants was twice that of congregations of over 500 communicants.

In our Church the comparative per-capita giving per-communicant is fairly evenly divided between the mission churches and the parishes, happily.

National statistics also affirm our thesis that the town and country church is not a liability to the whole of our Church. The mid-year 1950 report from "281" concerning the 1950 budget indicates that the provinces predominantly constituted of strictly urban and suburban dioceses have fallen miserably short on their "expectations." Looking more particularly at one specific diocese covering a super-urban area, we discover that it could assume only 60% of its quota. The only provinces whose "expectations" met their "quotas" were two: the Foreign Province and the Fourth Province. The Fourth Province includes the Diocese of Western North Carolina. Both the province and our Diocese are definitely "town and country" in nature.

Persons who have followed popular opinion and placed "town and country" work on the tail end of things will surely be surprised to find that truly the tails do wag the dog! Not only is our Church "town and country," but its strength is found in that fact.

Beyond statistical measurement is the unending contributions which the small Church has made to the total Church. The small mission churches have been breeding places for the sense of fellowship so desperately needed in the whole of the Church. Our strong lay leadership has developed from the opportunities given the laity in the mission



church. The same can be said of the clergy; the thoroughness of our ministry has been made possible by small mission churches who have accepted our young clergy to experiment, make mistakes, and cut their "eye-teeth" before moving on to the more secure parishes. Most clergymen owe a great deal to the good people in their first cures who endured their ministrations with a true sense of humor and god-like patience.

More devastating to the destruction of the myth of the rural church would be the testimony of history—the Gospel itself and the Church of the Ages. There is a natural appeal which the Gospel and the Church has to God's people in town and country.

Not inferring that the Gospel cannot meet the needs of all conditions of men never-the-less the grain of mustard seed, the fig tree, the grass of the field, the sower who went forth to sow are more at home in town and country than they they are on West 125th Street. The idiom of the Gospel is a rural one.

More than that, the Body of Christ and its Liturgy evolved from the experience of the village church and the country cure. There needs be no special "build-up" or apology made for the Prayerbook to rural folk—for even as the Gospel does, so does the Liturgy use of the language and symbol of their everyday experience. Where the Gospel and the Liturgy is heard in its fullness in the countryside without pretense and untried license, it draws all men unto itself.

Having said all this, we must affirm that the health of the Church is dependent directly upon the condition of its rural missions. Throughout our history, the town and country Church has been the source of our strength. Unless our polity, Prayerbook, and Gospel are changed, it will continue to be our strength. Thus, one at the same time we see our glory and our shame. As one American churchman has said, the Church "faces a period of steady decline in strength unless plans are inaugurated promptly for the revival of rural relig-

ion and the reconstruction of the rural church throughout the nation."

The Diocese of Western North Carolina, and other similar dioceses, have a unique position in this whole regard. We are of the rural Church, and strong enough to do something about it. In this regard, for a moment at least, we ought not to be modest about our own importance—for, as goes W.N.C., so goes the Church!

WE MUST supply leadership, both clergy and lay, to our existent mission churches, else that which we have will be lost.

WE MUST open new fields. The Committee on the State of the Church said in its 1950 annual report, "our 6600 baptized persons constitute only a drop in the bucket when compared to the nearly 900,000 persons living within the boundaries of our Diocese."

WE MUST not only serve our own rural field, but we must become a factor in the National Church rural program. The Valle Crucis Rural Training School opens unlimited possibilities in this realm. It should be expanded.

WE MUST help our Diocesan schools enter into the community life in a greater measure than they are so nobly doing at the present time. Appalachian School and Patterson School are now rendering to the larger communities in which they serve immeasurable services, not only to souls, but to the soil.

WE MUST become more active, as churchmen and congregations, in the Community Development Programs and the County and State rural extension services. Rural reconstruction cannot be accomplished alone by the church or alone by private and public agencies—it is a common task.

FINALLY, WE MUST place ourselves more certainly under the discipline of the Liturgy, finding in what is everlastingly old, that which is eternally new . . .

There is a myth concerning the rural Church. It must not persist . . .



## THE BISHOP'S SCHEDULE

September 16: Diocesan Laymans Training School, St. Mary's Asheville.  
 September 17: A. M. Redeemer, Craggy, and St. Luke's, Chunn's Cove.  
                   P. M. St. Paul's, Burke County, and St. Mary's, Quaker Meadows.  
 September 17 to 22: Preaching Mission, Messiah, Murphy.  
 September 24: A. M. St. Andrews, Canton; Confirmations, Calvary, Fletcher.  
 September 26: Woman's Auxiliary Executive Committee of Diocese, Hickory.  
 September 27: Patterson School Board Meeting, Legerwood.  
 September 29: Canterbury Club, W.C.T.C., Culowhee.  
 October 1: Confirmations, Ascension, Hickory.  
 October 3: St. Luke's Society, Sewanee, Tenn.  
 October 5: Diocesan Executive Council, Diocesan Office.  
                   Laymans Conference, Asheville area, Asheville.  
 October 6: Laymans Conference, Morganton area, Hickory.  
 October 8: Confirmations, Grace, Morganton.  
 October 10 & 11: Provincial Synod, Tampa, Florida.  
 October 11: Address Woman's Auxiliary of Synod, Tampa.  
 October 15: Confirmations, St. Johns, Marion.  
 October 20-27: College of Preachers, Washington, D. C.

## LAYMEN AT WORK

A. B. Stoney

Diocesan Laymen's Committee,  
Morganton

The Laymen's Training Program begins in earnest on September 8-10, when thirty leading Laymen of the Church gather at Seabury House to be trained as instructors of Diocesan groups who will in turn take the story of the activities of the Church in the Diocese and in the Nation to every congregation in America.

Western North Carolina Laymen are particularly honored in that one of our brilliant Laymen, Cary Page of Tryon, has been chosen as one of the select thirty to gather at Seabury House. Cary's training schedule takes him to such widely separated places as Roanoke, Va., Alexandria, La., and Myrtle Beach, S. C.

Our Trainees gather at Asheville on September 16th, to be instructed by William M. Dorr of Louisville, Ky. During the early fall these trained Laymen will make short presentations to all our congregations using modern techniques

of salesmanship.

It is a great program and one which should make us all proud of our part in it and proud of our Bishop and our people who are determined to keep step with the onward marching Christian soldiers of the Episcopal Church.

Area meetings are under the leadership of our two Area Chairmen, Ed Hartshorn, and Ralph Todd and scheduled as follows:

October 5—Asheville Area, at Asheville.

October 6—Morganton Area, at Hickory.

After this has been done, the next great undertaking of our Laymen is the Men's Advent Corporate Communion on December 3rd, the first Sunday in Advent.

Let us have such an outpouring of our men and boys for the Area meetings and the Corporate Communion that for sheer numbers participating we will shake the foundations of our Churches and leave all our people agog at the things Laymen can do *if they try*.

## YOUTH NEWS

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### DIOCESAN YOUTH CAMP

Our Diocesan camp was held July 2-8 at Patterson School. There were about forty-five campers this year. The new gym was a great addition to the camp. We used the basketball court for various games and due to rain, we had to have most of our night programs there. We also used the wonderfully cool gym basement for movies one of which was "The King of Kings." The Rev. Robert J. McCloskey was our chaplain. He gave us some very inspiring talks using a popular song as the theme each evening.

Square dancing was enjoyed almost every night with the expert help of Earl Jones, Calvary, Fletcher, who called. The Patterson Camp String Band was under the able direction of the Reverend Maestro C. Leavell; the other member of the orchestra was David Reed. Added to the repertory of traditional

stories which always include C. Levell's "Peezelltree" and M. Jenkin's ghost story, was a sad, sad account of R. McCloskey's friend, Joe Doaks who was blown to bits by cheap dynamite.

The faculty was composed of The Rev. G. M. Jenkins, Director, The Rev. Rhett Winters, The Rev. Charles G. Leavell, Vice Director, Miss Aline Cronshey and Bishop Henry. Each of us took two courses, of which there were six—The Mission of the Church, Church Symbolism, Holy Scriptures, How To Know the Will of God for Me, Parables and Their Lessons for Today, and Program Planning.

We all took turns at dish washing, sweeping, waiting tables, and planning for the night program. Only one campfire was held, that being the last night of camp. After a strenuous week, everyone was pretty tired, but we all had a wonderful time and are looking forward to an even bigger and better camp next year.

## WITHIN OUR BORDERS

On July 2, CHANCELLOR MILLFORD OF LINCOLN CATHEDRAL, England, was preacher for the day at Trinity Church, Asheville. Chancellor Millford is spending the summer in America and is to be teaching the second semester of the summer term at the University of North Carolina. Born in 1895, he was educated at Oxford and at Cambridge. He has been a distinguished Churchman in England, having spent time in India and other places and he is considered among the leading British thinkers. His interest goes from music to mathematics to New Testament Theology. Among other engagements in this country he is preaching at Duke University, Columbia University, as well as several leading conferences.

It should be of interest to everyone to

know that Chancellor Millford is the legal custodian of the Magna Carta, the English Bill of Rights. This great charter was kept in this country during the war at Ft. Knox, along with our own Declaration of Independence.

The woman's Auxiliary of St. Mary's Church, Asheville, brought DEACONESS MADELAINE DUNLAP to Asheville on July 12 to speak concerning the work she is doing in a rural mission hospital in S. W. Virginia. Women from the other Asheville churches attended the meeting which gave recognition to the important work which the deaconesses of the Church are carrying on.

The mid-year report of RECEIPTS TO SEWANEE from our Diocese showed that a total of \$388.97 was received to July 1. Of this amount, \$305.-

77 were receipts from Theological Education Sunday offerings.

Trinity Parish has lost, in the death of DeWITT HUDSON CLARK, one of its most faithful and valued members. For all the years that he was here in this Parish there was never a time when he was not faithful to the many responsibilities to which he was called. He was active in every way for the good of the Parish. As a teacher in the Sunday School, as one of the moving spirits in the Brotherhood of St. Andrew, and as a Vestryman, he always manifested a great spirit of love for the Church and beyond all these things his ability to create deepened Christian fellowship have made great contributions to this parish life.—Trinity Church Bulletin.

The CHORAL GROUP FROM TRANSYLVANIA Music Camp, Brevard, with Chamber Orchestra accompaniment rendered a service of Music at All Soul's, Biltmore, on August 2. During the same week, the All Souls' Choir sang Bach's Cantata #6, "Bide With Us."

World-wide Christian leaders such as TOYIKO KAGAWA and MARTIN NIEMOLLER received wide audiences in this area this summer. Many Churchmen had the opportunity to hear them at Montreat and Junaluska. All Soul's, Biltmore, had the great opportunity of hearing Niemoller preach from the All Soul's pulpit.

The Woman's Auxiliary of Trinity, Asheville, sponsored a CHAMBER MUSIC CONCERT in the Parish Hall on August 22. It was offered to support the interest in pure musical art which is expressed in the string quartet. The proceeds will no doubt help the busy program of the Trinity Auxiliary.

The response to the All Soul's Lectures on Church History have showed a wide interest in a more complete understanding of the Church's History. Fr. Webbe, repeated his lecture on "THE

EARLY CENTURIES" to the Men's Club of Trinity Church on August 30.

The Rev. Charles L. McGavern acted as locum tenens at HOLY CROSS, TRYON, during August. The Rev. Newton Middleton, D.D., will return in the same capacity during September.

THE REV. WILLIAM T. CAPERS, although improved in health during the past weeks, finds that his present physical condition will not allow his returning to full-time work on September 1st as he had hoped. The Vestry has extended his leave of absence to January 1, 1951. Mr. Capers' many friends trust that the Fall months will give him greater strength.

ROBERT J. McCLOSKEY was ordained to the Diaconate on July 11, 1950 at St. Andrews Church, Canton. The Rev. John Tuton was presenter; the Rev. Mark Jenkins, preacher; the Rev. Edgar Goold, Epistler; the Rev. Isaac Northup was the Litanist. The guests at the ordination were served a fine chicken dinner in the church school rooms after the ceremony. Mr. McCloskey served as resident lay reader to St. Andrews from June 1949. Prior to that time he was in the ministry of the Methodist Church.

Miss Lucy Fletcher, BIRTHDAY THANK OFFERING secretary, reports in August that the response to the recent thank offering appeal has brought total receipts to \$60.63 from 13 missions and parishes. Churches are urged to consider this means of missionary activity and education.

St. Paul's, Edneyville, held their annual "REVIVAL SERVICES" in August under the leadership of Miss Aline Cronshey and the Rev. G. Mark Jenkins, priest-in-charge. The Rev. Robert J. McCloskey was the preacher from August 13-19. A youth rally was held on the 16th; rite of Baptism on the 19th. The Bishop of the Diocese confirmed 14 candidates on Sunday the 20th.



## THE EPISCOPAL HOUR IS ON THE AIR

"The Episcopal Hour!" At precisely 8:30 EST (7:30 CST) on Sunday morning, October 1, these words will ring out over a network of 140 radio stations covering the entire South and Southwest, and The Episcopal Hour radio program for 1950 will have become an actuality. It is conservatively estimated that one million listeners will hear these words and the 30 minute service which will follow, including an address by Bishop Louttit of South Florida, who will be the preacher for the first program. The Episcopal Hour will continue each Sunday morning at the same time and over the same stations during October, November and December.

Bishop Walker of Atlanta, chairman of the Radio Committee of the Fourth Province, refers to this project as a "venture in faith on the part of a few of us." The truth is that for months it did not look as though The Episcopal Hour would actually materialize. Radio programs are expensive, even though the time on the air for this broadcast is generously contributed by the radio stations. Also, the General Convention declined financial support, stating that this was a project of those Provinces covered by the network. Bishop Walker, believing that everything possible should be done before losing this valuable opportunity of evangelism, turned to the Bishops in whose Dioceses the program will be heard for financial support. At the same time he made The Episcopal Hour one of the objectives in the One World in Christ campaign in the Diocese of Atlanta. All of the Dioceses expressed interest. The Dioceses of Tennessee, South Florida, Georgia, Virginia, East Carolina, Upper South Carolina, West Texas and Southern Virginia, promised financial support. This assurance, together with the substantial sum allocated by the Diocese of Atlanta from the One World in Christ funds, was sufficient to begin operations; but, as it were, on a shoestring.

Every service connected with producing The Episcopal Hour for 1950 that did not require a professional radio technician has been rendered by volunteers. The music, which for a 13 week series usually costs around \$2,000, has been contributed by the choirs of the Cathedral of St. Philip, St. Luke's, All Saints' Churches, Atlanta, and St. James, Marietta. Publicity, promotion, etc., has been done in Bishop Walker's office at no charge to the slender Episcopal Hour funds. The Bishops who contributed the sermons for the 14 weekly programs travelled to Atlanta, where the transcriptions are made, at their own expense. The chairman of the Radio Sub-Committee of the Advisory Board of the Diocese of Atlanta had the pleasant task of entertaining the visiting Bishops.

Bishop Walker is serving as the active head, and in addition to rallying financial support, making all plans and decisions, has arranged for the speakers, for the music, and other necessary items to put The Episcopal Hour on the air.

The existing network of the Southern Religious Radio Conference, through whose facilities The Episcopal Hour will be broadcast, carries the program into 9 states, including four Provinces (3, 4, 6, 7) and 31 Dioceses; and it is possible to add stations and thus extend this coverage.

Bishop Henry of Western North Carolina, who is Chairman of Promotion for the Fourth Province, and Bishop Walker plan to lay this whole matter before the Provincial Synod of the Fourth Province when it meets in October with the hope that The Episcopal Hour will be permanently provided for in the budget. Furthermore, since the coverage extends beyond the confines of the Fourth Province, an effort will be made to get the other Provinces geographically involved to take the same action. Already interest has been expressed and financial contributions have been made outside the Fourth Province through the



Diocese of Virginia, Southern Virginia and West Texas which are in the Third and Seventh Provinces. If these efforts are successful The Episcopal Hour will become a permanent feature of the Church's influence in this portion of the country.

The speakers for the five Sunday mornings in October will be:

The Rt. Rev. Henry I. Louttit, Bishop of South Floroida—October 1,

The Rt. Rev. Edmund P. Danbridge, Bishop of Tennessee—October 8,

The Rt. Rev. Thomas H. Wright, Bishop of East Carolina—October 15,

The Rt. Rev. M. George Henry, Bishop of Western North Carolina—Oct. 22,

The Rt. Rev. Randolph R. Clairborne, Suffragan Bishop of Alabama—Oct. 29.

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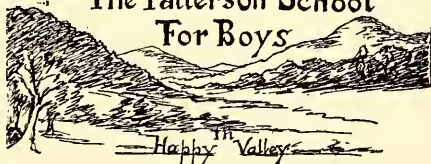
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## THE EVERY MEMBER CANVASS

The Every Member Canvass—always a basically important activity in every parish and mission—is more important this year than ever. For, this year, the Church is asking all of us to work and pray and give more than ever toward the extension of the Kingdom of God, man's only hope. In the face of the stark situation prevailing throughout the world, the Church has committed itself to presenting the saving Gospel of Christ with the greatest possible force, at every point at home and abroad.

But when God asks, He also enables. And so God's Church, having asked more consecrated giving of us all this year, has set up an enabling program. Your parish or mission has available for this year's Canvass a wealth of cooperation that has never before been obtainable.

Trained helpers are available to you. Last month a group of laymen chosen from all over the United States—including Mr. Cary Page from our own dio-

cese—met at Seabury House to be given an intensive course in the Church's worldwide work. These men then went to every diocese of the Church, to pass their training on to other laymen. In our own diocese, fifteen men are now fully prepared to help our parishes and missions with the Canvass.

They will make carefully selected material available to you. When the trained layman meets with your people, he will speak officially about the work our National Church is doing in strengthening its program of Christian Education and Christian Social Action at home and abroad. He will then, through a recording, let you hear directly from a Bishop active in the domestic field, and from another Bishop active in the foreign field. Finally, you will hear our own Bishop's voice speaking of the Church's work right here in Western North Carolina, as colored slides depicting that work are thrown on a screen before you. In short a conducted tour of the Church's work from near at hand to the ends of the world is ready for your use. And in addition to this general information that will be of great help and interest to your whole congregation, the layman is prepared to meet with your own canvassers, with more material and ideas to help them in their work.

How does the local parish or mission best cooperate with this program? First, by selecting the day and time when it is most convenient for the congregation to gather together for this presentation. A parish dinner would be an excellent occasion. And second, by carefully following up, through a diligent carrying out of the usual Canvass methods, the inspiration that will then have been given.

"God our Father, Who providest for thy children in advance of their needs, bless the work of our Every Member Canvass, and grant us all to share in it with glad and willing hearts for the sake of thy Kingdom, through Jesus Christ our Lord."

—G. D. W.

## LIBERTY NOT LICENSE

We are happy that the Church does not speak *precisely* to us concerning what we shall eat, or what we shall drink, or the clothes wherewithal we shall be clothed. There are some Christian bodies that give their constituents particular direction to not indulge in rich foods, liquors, cigarettes, the theatre, and mink coats. We live in enlightenment, so we say; we do not see life's luxuries as sins in themselves. However there is a grave danger we face of not seeing the distinction between liberty and license. The danger in believing that just because the Church does not speak to us *particularly* about our habits that it does not speak to us at all.

One cannot help but pass judgment upon our churchmanship insofar as it concerns our stewardship of the world's goods. The Every Member Canvass is on—and we are all examining that portion of our substance we shall give to Christ and His Church. We are at liberty to give what we can—we are not at liberty to give as little as we can, or

even to give a calculated share of a proposed budget. There's a line between liberty and license. Luxury items loom to huge proportions in our regular family budgets—there is a temptation to let them slide into the category of necessities.

When the tallies are in and the budgets secured at the close of the Canvass, a close tabulation will reveal that we are spending more on luxuries than we are on the Church of Christ! Dollar for dollar, the Church is actually asking you to give less to it than you are to the luxuries you enjoy—not the necessities, the luxuries! If that is so, and it is, we are not much better off than the misguided souls who look upon luxuries as sins.

There is a realm of choice we have in determining what portion of our goods go to the Church and its mission. Let us use our liberty to make such decision; let us cease giving first-class allegiance to items of second-class distinction. The Church does not speak *precisely* to us concerning our wealth—but the Church *does speak* to us . . .

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## APPALACHIAN SCHOOL PENLAND, N. C.

Appalachian School is an official institution of this Diocese—it is “of”, “for”, and “by” all of us. Many times in our efforts to extend the realm of the Church, we lose sight of the Church close at home. Perhaps most of us know very little about one of our “official” schools—Appalachian School.

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homes or marginal income homes.. Usually children from such homes would be thrown into public agency care; Appalachian School's modest rates allow the marginal-income home to send their children to a good church school.

Even though the tuition rates are very modest, the school must depend upon the tuition as the primary source of income. Thus one of its unique advantages tends to become a disadvantage, for it is almost impossible to run a school on income from tuition, unless the tuition is very high. To raise tuitions to the point where they would carry fiscal needs would be to turn away boys and girls and defeat the purpose of the school.

Even with a level tuition rate, current economic instability has reduced this year's paying students—there is room for 15 more at this writing!

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October 23-27: Boone, ASTC, Religious Emphasis Week Addresses  
October 29: Redeemer, Shelby; St. Andrew's, Bessemer City  
November 2, 3, 5, 8, 9: District Meetings, Woman's Auxiliary  
November 12: Asheville School, Trinity, and St. Matthias, Asheville  
November 13: Executive Board  
November 14: Kanuga Board of Managers  
November 15: Convocation of Morganton  
November 16: Appalachian School Board  
November 19: St. Andrews, Canton; Grace, Waynesville

Summer vacations are behind us. We hope that they were of such a nature that all of us feel refreshed and eager to undertake new responsibilities. In looking forward to the Fall and Winter, our life in the Church should be fully considered in the plans. There are certain definite areas of Church activity in which we are particularly conscious of in the Fall. There is the Sunday School; opened with new plans and enthusiasm. *Should I not be one of the teachers or helpers in this venture?*

There is the Every Member Canvass. Should I not make an especial effort to inform myself about the work of the Church, and see to it that others are likewise informed? *Many will be asked to help with the Canvass; should I not willingly accept my responsibility?* Should I not give to the program of the Church even as God has given to me? With the regular routine being set up that will govern my life during the coming months, *should I not allot some time for regular study and prayer;* that I may be a better Churchman, strengthened by God, and willing to do my utmost for the Church of Jesus Christ?

At our Diocesan Convention held in Hickory this Spring, I set as a goal an increase in the number to be confirmed. There are five thousand communicants in this diocese. Certainly, a goal of five hundred persons a year brought to confirmation is not too high a goal.

That means that in each congregation there should be presented for confirmation about ten percent of the communicant strength.

It is the bounded duty of every Church Member "to work for the spread of Christ's Kingdom." The main work in the spread of His Kingdom is the personal evangelism of each communicant. Is it too much to expect that ten percent of each congregation can reach one person a year? I feel that is low, but it is a beginning.

It is the congregation's responsibility, as much as the minister's responsibility, to reach people and bring them into the Fellowship of the Church. The vitality and concern of a congregation for the spread of The Church is indicated by the number confirmed each year. I expect every communicant in the diocese of Western North Carolina to feel a concern for, and act upon, his or her obligation to bring persons to confirmation.

The diocesan Budget is increased for the year 1951. This budget was adopted by you through your delegates to the Diocesan Convention held in Hickory, May 1950. The increase is considerable, and it is reflected in the increase in the amount asked for each parish and mission of the diocese. This in turn, means that the individual of the parish and mission is asked to make an increase in the support of the missionary work of the Church.

We are enlarging our work as fast as possible. We are placing clergymen in



## NEW MANAGER FOR KANUGA

The Right Reverend M. George Henry, Bishop of Western North Carolina and President of Kanuga Conferences, has announced the appointment of Mr. Willard P. Verduin as Business Manager for Kanuga Conferences. Mr. Verduin assumes the duties of the Superintendent, the Reverend John A. Pickney and of the Property Manager, Mr. Rufus Honeycutt. Mr. Pickney will now be able to give his full time to his Parish, St. James, in Greenville, South Carolina; Mr. Honeycutt, who has worked at Kanuga for about forty years, will continue on a part time basis but without the heavy responsibility he has carried in recent years.

Mr. Verduin comes to Kanuga from Georgetown, South Carolina, where he was employed by West Virginia Pulp and Paper Company in land management work. Although a Forester with considerable experience in property management, his interests during recent years have been strongly toward young people's work. This fortunate combination will serve well in managing the 1200 acres of woodlands on the Kanuga property and the 1200 young people who attend the activities at Kanuga each summer. Mr. Verduin is married and has a six year old daughter, Terry. The Verduins will be year round residents at Kanuga and they cordially invite all friends of Kanuga to drop by to see them at any time of the year.

Mr. Pickney's association with Kanuga has been a long one, as he first came to the Conference Center in an official capacity in 1932, when he was made a member of the Faculty of the Young People's Conference. He was at that time

Rector of the Episcopal Church in Tryon, North Carolina. Subsequent changes in Charleston, Clemson and Greenville, South Carolina still kept him in close contact with Kanuga activities, with which he became even more closely associated when he took over the directorship of the Young Peoples' Conference in 1938 and was later asked by the late Bishop Kirkman G. Finlay to assume responsibility of both Young Peoples' and Junior Camp periods. He headed up these conferences for some years, assuming more responsibility following the death of Bishop Finlay in 1938, and the resignation of the Reverend Rufus Morgan who had been business manager and general all-round aid to Bishop Finlay. In 1943 the management of Kanuga was divided among three people, with Mr. Pickney being elected Supervisor, Mr. F. D. McLean becoming Treasurer, and Mr. Rufus Honeycutt being made Property Manager. In 1947 Mr. Pickney's title was changed to Superintendent and his duties became even more general. That arrangement has held until this year when the need for a full time resident Business Manager was recognized and Mr. Verduin was elected to take this responsibility. It is with deep regret that his many friends see Mr. Pickney give up the responsibilities he has so ably held.

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***THE EDITOR would appreciate having forwarded to him any extra copies of THE HIGHLAND CHURCHMAN for June 1950. Perhaps some Churches receiving bundles of the H. C. may have extra copies of that month's issue?***

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vacant churches as fast as possible. We are entering new areas as the opportunity presents itself, and as we have means. We should always obey the commands of our Lord to "go to all peoples." As we obey that command, it will require self-sacrifice on the part of all of us.

The Program of the diocese as adopted in our convention will require the participation of everyone in the diocese. I expect every communicant of the diocese to give, through a pledge, his whole-hearted support in enlarging the work of Our Lord.



## THE LATE ARCHBISHOP OF CANTERBURY ON WAR.

ON THE USE OF FORCE. "But as the fact that we are right now does not obliterate our past sin, so our past sin in no way alters the fact that we are right now. No positive good can be done by force; that is true. But evil can be checked and held back by force, and it is precisely this that we may be called upon to use. If it be so, let us do it in calm but unshakable resolution, trying, in spite of all the agony, to bear no ill-will to those whom we must resist, seeking to inflict no more suffering than is inevitably involved in the resistance that we must offer, bearing with patient, courage and suffering that comes to ourselves. And while we do our utmost to secure the triumph of right as it has been given us to see the right, let us steadily look beyond the conflict to the restoration of peace, and dedicate ourselves to the creation of a world-order which shall be fair to the generations yet unborn."

—William Temple, Aug. 1939

ON WARTIME PRAYER. "I am afraid I distress you by the fact that

the forms of prayer which I draw up do not contain direct prayers for victory. I have always felt that it is wiser to avoid this, and have publicly stated that it ought to be avoided. I am of course prepared to say . . . 'Grant us victory if it be Thy Will'; but I am sure that clause ought to be added in such a case, even though it governs all our praying at all times.

"But I have tried always to draw up prayers which do not range us over against any of our fellow-Christians in Germany or elsewhere, because it seems to me that the primary concern is prayer—and I mean 'primary' quite seriously—must be the approach to the Father of all men with recognition that all His other children have the same right of approach, and that if we pray as our Lord taught us, we are never praying against each other, because we are always praying not that we want shall be done, but that what God wants shall be done, and that we may be used for doing it."—William Temple, Letter to the Archbishop of York, February, 1944.

(Copied from HOLY CROSS COURIER, Tryon, N. C., Sept. 3, 1950)

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## PRAYER FOR THE U. N.

Almighty God, from whom all thoughts of truth and peace proceed; Guide, we pray thee, with thy strong and peaceful wisdom, those who take counsel for the nations of the earth in the United Nations Organization. And that we may worthily support them, deliver all thy people from selfishness and false ambitions. Grant that we may prepare our minds through study, our hearts through compassion, and our souls through prayer and sacrament for a new world in which justice shall be assured to all and in which peace shall be enduring, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

(Approved by the Bishop for use in the churches of this Diocese.)

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## FOR THE FAMILY OF NATIONS

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, guide, we beseech Thee, the Nations of the world into the way of justice and truth, and establish among them that peace which is the fruit of righteousness, that they may become the Kingdom of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. Amen.

*(Book of Common Prayer, Page 44. Written for the 1928 Prayer-book by Bishop Parsons, the Collect was based on James 3:18 and Revelations 11:15)*

## WOMAN'S AUXILIARY

*Lanthe Rush Campbell*

### STUDY

Mrs. Haden, our secretary of Christian Education, asked that all the branches send their planned programs for the year to her. She wishes to congratulate the Auxiliary of St. Philips, Brevard for being the first to send her their plans. If you haven't sent Mrs. Haden your program, please do so as soon as possible.

### SUPPLY

Mrs. Menzies, our supply secretary, tells us that we can't send medical supplies to China, but we can send money—for medical supplies are still available there. She has sent \$50 to St. James' Hospital, Anking, China, \$20 for the Supply Secretary Gift Fund.

Our box goes to St. Margaret's Convent, Port-Au-Prince, Haiti. In this mission there are 1000 men, 1000 women, and 3000 children. Miss Stabler, our National Secretary wrote me that Mrs. Sheldon Leavitt of Asheville met Sister Joan Margaret here on furlough from the work in Haiti, so I wrote Mrs. Leavitt for some information—and her reply is as follows:

"My Dear Mrs. Menzies,

Sister Joan Margaret is in charge of the work for afflicted children in Port-Au-Prince. The government of Haiti does nothing for them, and their parents put them out to starve. The first child they took was a blind waif found on the street. Next, a deaf child was brought to them and then more and more, blind, deaf, and below normal from malnutrition. As the children grew it became necessary to give them some kind of schooling, and so finally there has grown up a regular school for these abnormal children and for well problem children sent to them from regular schools. Sister Joan has with her now in the States a blind child who is having the transplanting of the cornea in the Massachusetts General Hospital, and a deaf child who is being fitted with a hearing aid.

"So far these children are too young to take back to their own kind, but she is going to teach them to operate a braille typewriter so that they can learn to help. Other girls who can take no book learning, they are teaching to do fine sewing. Two girls who have married native priests they have taught the things that they can use in country missions, first aid, cooking, Sunday School teaching, sewing, etc.

"How I wish your letter had come a week ago! Sister Joan spoke at Trinity Church and showed colored slides on August 31st to the various parishes and missions near Asheville.

"Sister Joan says her next leave will be three years from now, and she will take it right after Easter. I am hoping the Bishop and the clergy who met her here, and some of the women will arrange a regular tour for her around the Diocese. She is going this month to Ohio and go all around with the Bishop there. She is perfectly charming and we all fell in love with her.

Diocesan Supply Secretary  
Mary S. Menzies"

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LENOIR—Mrs. W. J. Gordon spoke to the Women of St. James', Lenoir at their opening Fall meeting.

The Lenoir Auxiliary has been divided into two Chapters. Mr. J. R. Todd is chairman of one chapter and Mrs. Boston M. Lackey is chairman of one. One group meets in the afternoon and one in the evening.

BLOWING ROCK—Mrs. Smoot entertained at a delightful Silver Tea this summer at her attractive Blowing Rock home. She was assisted by the Women's Auxiliary of Boone. Proceeds from the tea went to the Blowing Rock-Boone Woman's Auxiliary.

THE DISTRICT MEETINGS are being planned during the period from November 2nd through 9th. Check with your local officers to determine where your meeting will be held, and attend.

*Mary Aston Leavell*

THE ALL YOUTH CONVENTION OF THE PROVINCE OF SEWANEE was held the week of August 28—September 2 at Monteagle, Tennessee. It was a wonderful week of work, planning, and fellowship under the leadership of The Rev. Harry Tisdale and Philip Porcher, Provincial Youth Commission Chairman.

Each morning, following Holy Communion and breakfast, lectures were given by Lindley Hartwell, Chairman of the National Youth Commission, discussing the purposes and ideals of U.M.C.Y. and PLAN. Lectures were based on the three main topics of this year's PLAN: "One Faith," "One Body" and "One Fellowship." Following the lectures the convention divided into four discussion groups, each led by a commission member. Then the findings of the groups were reported to the entire convention. In the afternoons, workshops were held on Program Planning, Flying Squadrons, Finance, and the Purpose of a Meeting and How to Conduct It. At the evening services Father Wm. Turkington of St. Andrew's School gave talks on the Holy Communion.

Our Diocese was represented by Clara Kate Boggs, Vice-Pres. of our Young Churchmen, Mary Aston Leavell, and through noon of the 30th, The Rev. Mark Jenkins, Chairman of the Diocesan Youth Commission. David Reid, President of the Youth Churchmen was to have gone, but he came down with flu at the last minute.

Friday, Sept. 1, was devoted to business. Reports were given by all P.Y.C. officers and committee chairmen, resolutions were read and adopted, some changes were made in the Constitution, and new officers of the Province were elected. Re-elected as Chairman was Philip Porcher from Mt. Pleasant, S. C. Billy Yon of the Diocese of Atlanta was elected Vice-Chairman and Dot Darvach of the Diocese of Miss., Secretary. The

new officers were also elected to represent our Province on the National Youth Commission.

THE DIOCESAN YOUTH CONVENTION which was scheduled to meet at Grace, Morganton, later in the Fall, was moved forward to October 6 and 7 in order to hold the sessions while Mr. Leavell was still in residence there. His resignation as Rector is effective October 15. Mr. Leavell has been an important guide in the Youth Work in our Diocese. David Reid, president of the Diocesan Young People, has outlined a fine program for the annual convention.—Ed.

All the Youth groups in the parishes and missions of ASHEVILLE AND ENVIRONS, and Calvary, Fletcher, have formed a group for the purpose of joint programs. To plan these get-together meetings the officers of the individual groups formed a "Planning Council." About once each month a joint meeting is planned. All these have been most successful. An evening service and picnic, host, St. Mary's; supper and talk by our Bishop, host, Trinity; square dance and watermelon party, host, Calvary. It is hoped that this type of local cooperation among parish and mission youth will spread over the whole Diocese.

ST. MARY'S, ASHEVILLE, YPSL has gathered together enough money to enable purchase of a badly needed new carpet for the Church sanctuary. Notices now and again in our Youth News indicate that the St. Mary's group is quite active; they meet on Sundays at 7 P. M.

CALVARY, FLETCHER, YOUNG CHURCHMAN'S CLUB is now back to full strength again after the summer camps. About a dozen of our boys and girls attended one of our camps, Kanuga or Patterson; and one strayed to Camp St. Christopher in South Carolina. The Young Churchman's Club has given two parties recently. On September 1st they had a square dance with refreshments



for all those going away to school and college, and also four going into the Armed Forces. On September 22nd they had another square dance and supper to welcome all the new members coming in by Confirmation on September 24th. About thirty boys and girls were added to the membership of the Y. C. C.

MARY ASTON LEAVELL has been

acting as Youth Editor for this paper for some time. As she leaves this task to someone else, the editor would like to express his "thanks" to her. It gives us the opportunity to remind all young people to forward their news speedily. The job of Youth Editor is a hard one when only a few of our groups forward news of their activities.

### WITHIN OUR BORDERS (Continued)

THE REV. C. G. LEAVELL, Rector of Grace Church, Morganton, since October 1, 1942, and also Priest-in-Charge of St. Stephen's—Morganton, St. Mary's—Quaker Meadows, and St. Paul's—Burke County, resigned to the Vestry of Grace Church and to the Bishop as of October 15th. He has accepted a call to become Rector of Grace Church, Cismont, Walker Parish, in the Diocese of Virginia. Walker Parish is a rural parish centered around Grace Church, Cismont, some ten miles east of Charlottesville, Va. Mr. Leavell will be missed in this Diocese; he served as delegate to General Convention, as Secretary of the Executive Council, as Chm. of the Department of Missions, as an Examining Chaplain, and was active as a Counselor and Director of Diocesan youth.

THE REV. RALPH K. WEBSTER has been appointed as Chaplain to Christ School, Arden. He comes from the Diocese of South Florida to his new duties, although our Diocese is "home" to him; Fr. Webster was formerly in charge of St. Francis', Rutherfordton. The Websters moved to Christ School in September and are living in a new home recently acquired for the Chaplain.

THE REV. WM. C. CRAVNER, Rector of St. Mark's, Gastonia has tendered his resignation to the Vestry. The resignation was dated July 31st, 1950, and is to become effective within the next 6 months. Mr. Cravner intends to retire from the active ministry and live in Alabama where he has a home. Prior

to his rectorship at St. Mark's, he was Rector of All Soul's, Biltmore.

ST. MATTHIAS', ASHEVILLE, recently broke ground for the building of their Rectory which will be on the Church property. The Diocese rejoices that St. Matthias' has taken this forward step; a step almost necessary for their procuring a resident minister.

The women of ST. PAUL'S MISSION, BURKE COUNTY, recently gave an "ice cream supper" at the power plant grounds on Lake James and cleared over \$127.00. The men of St. Paul's had previously given their labor in wiring the church for electric lights. Valle Crucis Rural Worker Students in the persons of Messrs. Edward Ostertag, Richard Adams, and David Gleason conducted a Daily Vacation Bible School at St. Paul's with thirty children in attendance. The same week a Preaching Mission was held by the Priest-in-Charge at which the students answered questions from the mission question box. Attendance built up steadily each of the five evenings from thirty to sixty persons. Messrs Richard Adams and Edward Ostertag also worked in successful Daily Vacation Bible Schools at Grace Church, Morganton, St. Mary's, Quaker Meadows, and St. Stephen's, Morganton.

SISTER MARGARET of the English Order of St. Margaret addressed a large group of women from the churches in the Asheville area on August 31 concerning the work of the order in Haiti.



Sister Margaret's visit was sponsored by the St. Mary's, Asheville, and Trinity, Asheville, Auxiliaries.

ST. MARY'S, QUAKER MEADOWS, recently observed their "homecoming" celebration. The Bishop delivered the sermon for the occasion, and officiated in the rite of Confirmation. In September a fine class was confirmed by the Bishop at ST. STEPHENS, MORGANTON. That occasion was marked by large attendance and a delectable congregational dinner after the ceremonies.

A joint luncheon-meeting of the women from St. Mary's, Trinity, All Souls', St. George's, and Calvary Churches heard the Bishop address them on "The Woman's Auxiliary, Its Responsibility and Work in the Diocese" on September 11. The luncheon was served at All Souls', Biltmore.

HOLY CROSS, TRYON, communicants who are entering the Armed Forces are being given Episcopal Service Crosses by the Church and urged to wear them as signs of their Churchmanship.

MRS. SAMUEL B. STROUP has moved to Asheville and is living at 90 Annandale St. Mrs. Stroup is the widow of the Rev. Samuel B. Stroup, Rector many years at the Church of the Ascension, Hickory. Her many friends will be happy to hear of her return to W.N.C.

FORMER EDITOR of THE HIGHLAND CHURCHMAN, the Rev. Dudley J. Stroup, a son of The Rev. and Mrs. Samuel Stroup, has recently been named full-time executive of news, radio, and publication of the Diocese of Albany. Fr. Stroup was priest-in-charge of St. Luke's, Chunns Cove.

The bulletin of ST. JAMES, LEONIR, reports that the young people have been unusually active in St. James Parish this summer. Through the kindness of Mr. George Wiese we had Mr. Dave Gleason, theological student, who assisted in conducting a most successful Dairy Vacation Bible School. The School

closed with a basket picnic held on Patterson School grounds, the whole Parish participating. Mr. Gleason preached and held services (with the assistance of the Pyerly boys) on the Sundays in August. The services were greatly enhanced by the help of Misses Betty and Mary Wiese and Lunda Lenoir, both in the Choir and at the organ. During the summer the following young men acted as ushers: Hal Miller, Thomas Winborne, James Hogan, Grimes and Baxter Byerly and A. G. Miller. This enthusiasm of the young people in the Church's work should make us older folks thank God and take courage.

PAUL L. RITCH, JR., and WILLIAM SCOTT ROOT, postulants for Holy Orders from St. Mary's, Asheville, have entered upon their course of study at General Theological Seminary, New York City.

THE REV. TAGE TEISEN, D.D., Rector of Bethesda-by-the-Sea, Fla., was guest preacher at All Souls, Biltmore, on September 24th.

The CONVOCATION of Morganton will meet in St. Paul's Church, N. Wilkesboro, on November 15th. The CONVOCATION of Asheville will meet at the Church of the Incarnation, Highlands, on October 17th.

Bishop Henry will deliver the address on THE EPISCOPAL HOUR broadcast over many stations in our area on Sunday morning, October 22. On Oct. 29, Bishop Clairborne, Suffragan of Alabama, will deliver the address. The Episcopal Hour is heard each Sunday morning over WWNC, Asheville, WHCC, Waynesville, WHKY, Hickory, WMNC, Morganton, WGNC, Gastonia.

A previous note in the H. C. concerning interest in a practical WORKSHOP ON LITURGY ARTS received no appreciable response. The editor feels that such a "practicum" has great merit. The following studies have been forwarded as suggestions: Liturgical drama; Liturgical study in church schools of Lord's

acre plan, biblical herbs, and herb gardens; Church-related crafts such as wood, metal, and cloth for carvings, vessels, vestments, etc.; Choir festivals; Acolyte festivals; Liturgical days and retreats. If you are interested in such a "practicum," forward your suggestions.

Fr. J. B. Sill, Diocesan Historographer, is custodian of the OLD DIOCESAN LIBRARY located in the former diocesan house, Ravenscroft, in Asheville. He has catalogued the volumes in that collection, selling some to libraries, culling others. In the process he has discovered some interesting Americana. The total collection has accumulated for many, many years, going back to the days of Bishop Cheshire. Collectors interested in such material should communicate with Fr. Sill.

**CALVARY CHURCH, FLETCHER:** A new Bigelow carpet over sponge-rubber rug cushion has been laid in Calvary, across the back, up the aisle and across the front of the Nave, between the Choir stalls and in front of the Altar Rail. It is a light mulberry in color, and adds greatly to the beauty and quiet of the Church. The Rector claims one disadvantage—now he cannot hear the arrival of late-comers, therefore cannot check (out of the corner of his eye) on who they are—and so can no longer ad-

monish the tardy ones of the virtues of promptness.

Three new, very beautiful stained antique glass windows have been installed in the Nave. One on the Gospel side shows Christ driving out the evil spirits from a man, and is a memorial to Mr. W. H. Stewart and his son, W. H. Stewart, Jr. Mr. Stewart, Sr., was a Vestryman at Calvary for many years. The first window on the Epistle side is of the "Parable of the Sower," and is a memorial to Mrs. Walter Fletcher, for many years an active parishioner of Calvary Church. The second window on the Epistle side depicts the "Parable of the Lost Sheep," and is a memorial to Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin L. Shuford. Mr. Shuford was for many years a Vestryman of Calvary Parish. All of these windows were dedicated by Bishop Henry on his visit to the Parish on September 24th.

This visit of our Bishop to Calvary was notable for another reason. The largest class in Calvary's history was presented for confirmation. Bishop Henry stated that it was the largest class (38) he had confirmed in his Episcopate. The Church was filled to overflowing for this Service. Bishop Henry spoke to the Sunday School before the service, at 10 a. m.—180 children were crowded into the old Parish House to hear him.

### A WORD FROM THE EDITOR

This issue of your church paper carries on page twelve a "Chapter in Diocesan History." Fr. Sill has compiled much material of permanent historical value. Such historical sketches should be carried regularly on our pages. The fact remains that our limited budget has not allowed us to do so. Other features have also been "cut." On the editor's desk for this issue was enough material to fill a 24 page edition; of necessity we cut the issue to 16 pages! It is our policy

NOT to make appeal for funds; on the other hand, there is a source of income available from advertising that has not been sufficiently explored. You can help us in forwarding names of prospective advertisers. THE HIGHLAND CHURCHMAN enters the very best homes in W.N.C. For manufacturing and distributing agencies serving the whole area of this diocese, there could be no better medium of advertising than your diocesan paper. Keep sending us news, and, send us names of prospective advertisers.

*The Rev. James B. Sill*  
*Diocesan Historiographer*

### **Early Days Of The Ascension, Hickory**

The starting of the Church's work in History was due to the interest of the rector of the neighboring parish of Grace Church, Morganton, Rev. Neilson Falls, who, at the direction of the Bishop Atkinson met with a small group of persons in 1872. A year later, on the Sunday before the Feast of the Ascension, they were organized into a parish, Mr. Falls continuing as rector until November. Hence the name chosen for the parish. Mrs. Richard Baker, wife of one of the town's earliest physicians, having, as reported, suggested the name. The present Richard Baker Hospital is a memorial to her husband. Fifteen communicants are reported at that time.

The fortunes of Providence were favorable to the young parish in the coming to town in 1872 of Edward Noah Joyner, for the purpose of starting a school. The dioceses of North Carolina, South Carolina, and later the Jurisdiction of Western North Carolina, had occasions for many years to thank God for the ministry of this His servant, who was ordained deacon at Grace Church, Morganton in 1873, and priest there in 1877, continuing as rector of The Ascension from 1873 to 1879. Edward Joyner, at the age of 17, had enlisted in an artillery company in 1864, which was stationed near Wilmington, and which was engaged in both battles of Fort Fisher. Edward was wounded and spent time in a hospital at the close of the war. His home was in Pitt County, N. C.; his father a surgeon. For some years he continued his education, at the Davis School, Louisberg, and the Horner School, Oxford, and at Trinity College, Hartford. In 1871 he married Mary E. Winfield of Chocowinity, N. C., having two children, a son and a daughter. He was therefore age 25 in becoming rector of The Ascension. After services of the parish were held in

various houses and in a borrowed Church building, a lot was secured and a Church building started, the cornerstone being laid Nov. 20th, 1878, and the Church consecrated by Bishop Lyman July 31st, 1881, during the rectorship of the Rev. John Huske, 1880 to 1882. The Church was a wooden structure, heated with wood-burning stoves, and lighted with kerosene lamps. It had windows of stained glass. A bell was hung in a tower built separately from the Church building. The value of the Church is given as \$1500.00. There were 40 communicants at this time. We find in the early records the names of the following Church families; Baker, Baskin, Anderson, Black, Beard, Davis, Hill, Finger, Hardin, Clinard, Fleming, Hall, Moore, Little, Fetter, Michael, Morgan, Paalzow, Royster, Southerland, Shuler, and Walker. Members of the Little, Southerland, Clinard, and Finger families still live in Hickory, on near-by.

I am indebted to William and Weston Clinard for reminiscences of those early days. Their father, Frank A. Clinard and Mother, Gertrude E. Clinard, formerly of the Jones family, were married in 1876 by the Rev. E. N. Joyner, in the "borrowed" German Reformed Church. "It was a great event not only for the Episcopalians but also for the whole community. Business was suspended and the stores closed for the occasion. It was Mr. Joyner's first wedding ceremony, and it bore the distinction of being the first marriage in any Church in the community destined to become the city of Hickory." Frank Clinard became active in the parish and a representative at diocesan conventions.

The building of the railroad from Salisbury to Asheville, completed in 1876, marked the real beginning of the town of Hickory, which grew up near the place where the old Tavern of Hickory was located, the settlement being known at first as Hickory Tavern. In a few years a city government was formed. The Church of



the Ascension and the town grew up together. The Church members were representative of the farming, professional, and business interests of the town. The growing and manufacturing of tobacco was quite an industry, later to be replaced by wood-working factories, as the Piedmont Wagon Co., the Hickory Mfg. Co., makers of doors, blinds, etc., and companies dealing in lumber and building materials.

Rev. James A. Weston became rector in 1883, staying three years, then returning in 1891 to continue for fourteen years. He was beloved in the parish and became prominent in diocesan affairs.

### IN LOVING MEMORY

"To perpetuate the memory of loved ones who have gone on, or the Christian influence of persons still living, a Memorial Fund has been set up at the Thompson Orphanage. These memorial funds are carefully and conservatively

administered by the Orphanage and are used for the benefit of the children who have found a home there. Acknowledgement of each gift is made to the donor and to the family of the person whose memory is being honored.

Many people have made it a practice to send a contribution to the Orphanage instead of flowers at the death of a loved one. The Memorial Fund is becoming more and more a help financially — through this plan you can honor your loved ones and at the same time help the children of Thompson Orphanage. Just send your gift with a note giving your name and address, the name of the person who has died, and the name and address of the nearest of kin so that an acknowledgement can be made. Address your contribution to Thompson Orphanage, Charlotte 4, N. C.

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THE INTERNATIONAL COUNCIL OF RELIGIOUS EDUCATION has been gathering statistics on Church membership and growth of enrollment in Church schools. The Episcopal Church is among the eight Communions showing the largest gains in Church school enrollment during the year 1949. For 1949, 546,064, which includes 489,423 pupils and 56,641 teachers, both overseas and in the United States; while the 1947 total was 475,328. The gain is 70,736. It is believed that the College of Preachers training courses and the regional training courses conducted under the auspices of the National Council's Department of Christian Education are reflected in these figures of growth.

Over and over again from the FOREIGN STAFF in all parts of China comes the appeal for the prayers of friends everywhere. "Life here is extraordinarily complicated and full of frustrations. Physically I have never been better . . . We get pretty depressed but it is quite impossible to assess the value of any work . . . All we can do is to try to offer what we are doing, with all its imperfections. So pray, and get others to pray."

Writing about China in THE NEW YORKER, Christopher Rand said, "A factor that greatly beclouds the issue is that it isn't just a question of abstract communism. Communism has infiltrated Chinese thought with results that

are yet only dimly understood and Chinese traditions may have a strong effect on the final synthesis."

THE AMERICAN BIBLE SOCIETY has published a special edition of 50,000 copies of Korean Scriptures for distribution to the Korean Army, Navy and Air Force. The edition was printed at the request of the Korean Bible Society, the headquarters of which are at Seoul. Episcopal Church people have special interest in this because the American Bible Society has been aided by the Presiding Bishop's Fund for World Relief, and will continue to receive help from the 1950 program for world relief and Church cooperation.

Trinity parish, St. Clair Shores, Mich., has adopted a family of DISPLACED PERSONS. They are Bulgarian-born Ivan Kristeff, his wife and two-year old son. The congregation has assumed responsibility for finding and furnishing a home, getting Kristeff a job, and assisting the family to become acquainted with American ways of life. The family is among the 23 European displaced persons being placed in the diocese of Michigan.

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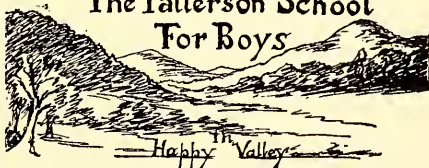
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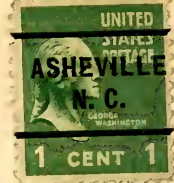


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replacement raises another problem—the only source of income for these purposes are from the people of the Diocese. The needs and exigencies of this school were mentioned at length at the 1950 Diocesan Convention—a digest of the school's report is on pages 67 and 68 of

the Diocesan Journal. The Secretary of the Diocese would be happy to mail copies of the Journal to interested persons.

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## Stir-up Sunday Collect

*Sunday Next Before Advent*

**S**TIR up, we beseech thee, O Lord,  
the wills of thy faithful people;  
that they, plenteously bringing forth  
the fruit of good works, may by thee  
be plenteously rewarded; through  
Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*



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## PREPARE YE THE WAY

In the wee hours of a recent morning we were twisting the dial of our radio listening to the trivia of the mid-night disk jockeys. One such human juke-box was discussing with his listeners what appeared to be a grave problem, namely, "How soon in the Fall should be played Bing Crosby's popular record, 'I'm dreamin' of a white Christmas'?" After several long distance phone calls from listeners over a wide area, he came to this conclusion, "To be discreet, and, not to 'rush the season', the record should not be played until after Thanksgiving Day"! Indeed!

Lest we become too critical of our secular world, we should be reminded that many saints within the Church often get so excited in anticipating the Festival of Christ's Birth that they forget the discipline and preparation necessary for real appreciation of Christmas. True, they may sing the song of the angelic choir, yet they never hear the original rendition. True, they can tell of the

Babe in Bethlehem's manger, yet they never experience the birth of the Incarnate God within their own lives. Bing may sing of Christmas at Thanksgiving time—we must not, else the great Gloria will only be a traditional recording; not our soul's dearest experience.

Our good friend Simeon Stylites writing in **THE CHRISTIAN CENTURY** some weeks ago told a rather human story. May I retell it? Some good people from the hinterland decided to make a trip to the big city; they wanted to see more than anything else the smash Broadway hit "South Pacific"—all their friends urged them to attend the show. They arrived in the city, went to the ticket office, and discovered that tickets were sold out many weeks ahead. How could they go back home without seeing it; what would their friends think? They did the next best thing. They went to a record shop, borrowed the record album "South Pacific" and carefully listened to the play thus recorded. Next they hunted up a used ticket broker and bought stubs of used tickets from the theater where the hit was staged. Thus armed with the memory of music from a victrola record and stubs of someone else's tickets, they went home to tell their friends of the wonders they had seen and heard in the city.

We can be observers of the Great Drama, or, we can merely hold the stubs of someone else's experience. We are told that there are only so many shopping days 'til Christmas. May we suggest that there are only so many "searching days" 'til Christmas — that searching, that quest, that discipline, that preparation is **ADVENT**.

**THE EPISCOPAL CHURCH SERVICE CROSS** should be given to every man and woman entering any branch of the armed services from any Episcopal parish. The Cross is a distinct mark of an Episcopal Church member in the armed forces and may be worn attached to the identification tags. Information may be had from the Armed Forces Division, 281 Fourth Ave. (N. Y. C.)

HAVE YOU FOUND? "The majority of Christmas cards offered for sale have not even the remotest connection with the real meaning of the Christmas season. They are pagan in spirit. They are far more appropriate for the Roman Saturnalia or the heathen Yule season than for the celebration of the birth of our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ. What is the sense in sending others tokens of gladness bearing good wishes with the reason for so doing omitted, or ignored? Surely it should not be too much for one to expect to receive Christian cards from Christian people at Christmas!"—Southern Churchman, May 6, 1950.

—*Holy Cross Courier, Tryon.*

The publishing date of THE HIGHLAND CHURCHMAN has in the past been marked as the "10th day" of the month. We have taken the liberty to move this one way or another; our reasons are good, we think. This issue has been "held" until Advent, although it is the November issue. The December issue will be mailed as a Christmastide issue, quite late in December. Whenever possible, we shall vary publishing dates to meet the high points in the Church Calendar. So, if you feel you have not received your copy on time, take heart. Also involved is the "element of surprise"!

ASKS FOR A REALLY CHRISTIAN OBSERVANCE OF CHRISTMAS THIS YEAR. Ashfield, Mass.—The Rev. Philip H. Steinmetz, who is rector of an Episcopal Church and pastor of a Congregational-Christian Church, is telling people that right now they should be thinking about Christmas . . . not about their card list or gift list, but about making one of the most sacred days in the year, actually and truly, a Christian festival.

"Christmas," said Mr. Steinmetz, "is a day in which our very best effort should be given to showing Jesus Christ our great love for Him, and our joy at His birth."

Mr. Steinmetz said that if we sit down and think about the ways in which we do celebrate Christmas, we are certain to be dissatisfied. He suggests to all Christian people:

Think over the following questions and make plans in line with the answers to them:

Which of the special Christmas events in town really express our joy over the birth of Christ, and which are just parties?

How much of the money we spend for Christmas cards, gifts, extra food, etc., is spent in order to bring joy to the One whose birthday it is?

What are you going to do about it this Year of Our Lord 1950?

### **National Council of The Churches of Christ In The U. S. A.**

When the National Council of the Churches of Christ in the U. S. A. is constituted in Cleveland, November 28—December 3, the whole Episcopal Church is vitally concerned. Presiding Bishop Henry Knox Sherrill said recently: "The formation of the National Council of Churches in a time of world confusion and strife, is a hopeful event of vital importance. Here is proof of the great underlying spirit of cooperation among the Churches and a promise that in action together we will face the great issues and opportunities of our time."

The forthcoming constituting convention has been described as "the most

important gathering of non-Roman Christians in the history of the American Church." It marks the organization of an agency that will serve the interests of 27 Church bodies, including a number of the Eastern Orthodox Churches. The combined Church membership represented is over 26,000,000. There will be coordination of the activities of the various Churches in certain work in foreign and home missions, Christian education, evangelism, race relations and national and international affairs. Actually some eight national agencies now in existence in the United States, serving some 50 Communions,

## NATIONAL COUNCIL—Con't.

will become departments of the new agency. These are: the International Council of Religious Education, the Foreign Missions Conference of North America, the Missionary Education Movement, the Federal Council of the Churches of Christ in America, the Home Missions Council, the Protestant Council on Higher Education, the United Stewardship Council and the United Council of Church Women.

At the Cleveland convention, an attendance of over 6,000 is expected, with 1,200 official delegates and 5,000 visiting delegates, probably the most widely representative Church gathering ever held on the North American continent.

On December 3, the Sunday following the Cleveland convention, nation-wide services of rededication, to express thanksgiving and support for the National Council of Churches, will be held in conjunction with services in thousands of churches.

It has been pointed out by the planning committee that this new body is in no sense a merger of denominations, but that it does represent a "deliberate policy" of cooperation, which will have the effect of bringing Churches closer together. It is believed that a wider recognition of women's work in the Church will grow out of the new Council, as well as a stronger voice for laymen in Church affairs. The Council will serve as a clearing house for information and exchange of views to forward the development of a sound strategy on key issues. It is believed, too, that local churches will benefit, through increased influence in the community through relationship to a national body united for Christian service and action.

The Council first was conceived as an idea nearly ten years ago at a meeting of interdenominational agency leaders at Atlantic City. Since then the plan has grown slowly but inevitably and has been studied carefully by the agencies and the various Church groups. Under direction of the planning committee headed by Dr. Luther A. Weigle, dean

emeritus of Yale University Divinity School, the Council will take form and substance at the Cleveland convention in November.

There are 29 regularly appointed representatives of the Episcopal Church to the constituting convention, and ten alternates. In addition, the Episcopal Church is entitled to 203 visiting delegates who may witness the convention events but who are without vote.

The Presiding Bishop will head the Episcopal group, he having been a member of the committee on program and procedure since its organization.

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Through the help of the Episcopal Church to the WORLD COUNCIL OF CHURCHES, 33 Russian Orthodox nuns, displaced by two world wars, are being located in Paris through action of the WCC Department of Inter-Church Aid and Service to Refugees. The nuns are members of a group which originated at the Lesnitzky convent in Poland. Driven from Leszno during World War I, 70 of the nuns found refuge in Yugoslavia. There, under jurisdiction of the Serbian Orthodox they continued their work of religious instruction for nearly 30 years, all the while maintaining contact with the Orthodox Theological Institute in Paris. During World War II their convent was destroyed by a Yugoslav terrorist group.

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TWENTY-FOUR BISHOPS, most of them younger members of the House of Bishops, went to school at the College of Preachers, Washington, D. C., recently. They received an intensive course in Christian education techniques, the same course as has been given to many of the younger clergy under auspices of the National Council's Department of Christian Education and the College of Preachers. The course lasted five days.



## THE BISHOP'S PAGE

### ADVENT

Advent marks the beginning of the Church Year; the old Calendar begins anew. We start afresh by hearing of the Mighty Acts of God through which he is reconciling the world to himself.

As the new year begins, it is natural for us to take stock of ourselves. We look back over the past year, and we see in our Church life how "we have left undone those things which we ought to have done, and (how) we have done those things which we ought not to have done and (why) there is no health in us." To begin again, we must rethink our past, and, make new plans. This is penitence. It is the same penitence as that of Lent.

The very name "Advent" points to the coming of Christ into the world. Imagine yourself a housekeeper. A great guest is coming. Does not every housekeeper "clean up the guest room, and do a little extra" in order to receive a guest properly? Advent in the Church Year is our season for making ready for The Guest. This, too, is penitence of the same sort as we have in Lent.

Penitence for too many people is looking back and feeling sorry. Penitence is shown in its true light in Advent — it is a forward look; a time when we anticipate the coming of The Guest. It is the anticipation expressed in the Invitation to Holy Communion for those who "intend to lead a new life."

Rethink your past; that you might build anew. Open your lives afresh; that The Guest, THE CHRIST, might be received. Lead a new life as we begin the new year in the Church.

### The Bishop's Schedule

November 15: Morganton Convocation, St. Paul's, Wilkesboro.

8:00 P. M.—Service and congregational meeting, Spruce Pine.

November 16: Appalachian School Board Meeting, at Penland.

6:00 P. M.—Service and Address at Christ School Arden.

November 19: 8 A. M.—St. Andrew's Canton, Holy Communion.

11:00 A. M.—Grace Church in the Mountains, Waynesville.

November 20-26: Preaching Mission at St. James Church, Lenoir.

November 22: 10 A. M.—Speak at Lenoir Rhyne College, Hickory.

November 23: 11 A. M.—Sermon at Joint Thanksgiving Day Service, Lenoir.

December 1: Congregational Dinner, St. George's, West Asheville.

December 3: 9:30 A. M.—Confirmation St. Mary's, Asheville, N. C.

11:00 A. M.—Church of the Transfiguration, Bat Cave.

8:00 P. M.—Church of the Ascension, Hickory.

December 7: Valle Crucis Board Meeting.

December 10: 8 A. M.—Asheville School For Boys.

11 A. M.—Asheville School For Boys.

8 P. M.—Church School Teachers Institute, St. Agnes, Franklin.

December 11: 8 P. M.—Church School Teachers Institute, Trinity, Asheville.

December 12: 12 M.—Patterson School Board, Spindale, N. C.

8 P. M.—Church School Teachers Institute, Ascension, Hickory.

December 13: 3 P. M.—Address, Woman's Club in Murphy.

December 17: 11 A. M.—St. Philip's Brevard.

8 P. M.—Holy Cross, Tryon.

December 24: 11 A. M.—St. Andrew's, Canton.

11:30 P. M.—Holy Communion, Church of the Redeemer, Craggy.

December 25: 11 A. M.—Holy Communion, Grace Church, Asheville.



## TEACHER TRAINING COURSES

(Rev.) Richard J. Lee, Chm.  
*Children's Commission*  
*Dep't. of Christian Education of the*  
*Diocese*

At last we are beginning to see a little daylight in the field of Religious Education. The necessary preliminary details have taken a great deal of time and thought and your Diocesan Children's Commission now feel that we are ready to launch into our much needed Teacher's Training Courses. We have divided the Diocese into three sections, thereby, making it more accessible for attendance at our quarterly meetings.

We hope to hold our first meeting in the Western District, on Dec. 10th, followed by a similar meeting in the Central District on Dec. 11th and in the

Eastern District on the evening of Dec. 12th. All meetings will begin at 7:30 P. M. with an address by our Bishop, followed by an opportunity for general discussion. We shall then divide into five groups for intensive study, with an appointed director in charge of each group. The study groups will be as follows.—GROUP 1.—Nursery and Kindergarten. GROUP 2.—Grades 1 to 3 inclusively. GROUP 3.—Grades 4 to 6. GROUP 4. — Grades 7 to 10, and GROUP 5.—Grade 11 and up.

The Rev. Robert J. McCloskey has kindly consented to act as Vice-Chairman of the Western and Central Districts. Further information with full details will be mailed to all parishes and missions.

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## CONVOCATIONS MEET

The Convocation of Asheville met at Incarnation, Highlands, on October 17. A good representation from all areas within the convocation was evident. Reports from all parishes and missions represented were heard concerning missionary activity; the reports had an ecumenical flavor! The main business concerned election of a Dean—the Very Rev. Rufus Morgan having been in office the limit of lawful term; the Secretary, Mr. Wm. Tyndale, also needed a successor. The elections were difficult due to the very evident modesty of the nominees. In due course, the Very Rev. Grover Mark Jenkins was elected Dean; Mr. John McTammany, in charge of the Redeemer, Craggy, was elected Secretary. Fr. Webbe, diocesan chm. of the every-member-canvass, gave a report of the EMC plans and answered questions concerning the program. The retiring officers of the Convocation were recognized with regard to their leadership in the years past. The whole affair was enriched by the panorama of the mountains in the Fall. A delightful lunch was served to the Convocation atop a hill overlooking Sunset Mountain.

The Convocation of Morganton met at

St. Paul's, Wilkesboro, on November 15. The Bishop of the Diocese celebrated Holy Communion in the historic old Church. Fr. Peter Lambert, dean, presented a short period of instruction concerning the choral settings of the Offices and Holy Communion as found in THE HYMNAL. A recording of Choral Communion was played. The Rev. Robert J. McCloskey directed discussion concerning the "Attitudes of Churchmen towards other Christians." The theme was developed in lieu of the forthcoming assembly for the formation of the National Council of the Churches of Christ in the U.S.A. to be held in early Advent at Cleveland. Canon Wedel's *Coming Great Church* was suggested as a good source of understanding the main issues of church disunity even though his conclusions may not be accepted by all Churchmen.

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Discussing the subject of racial segregation, one of our more prominent clergymen said: "Regardless of the progress we have made, it is still true that segregation reaches its highest point at eleven o'clock Sunday morning."

## **PRIEST'S FELLOWSHIP**

The clericus of the Diocese met in All Saintstide, Nov. 9, at Christ School, Arden. The clergy attended Holy Communion in the school Chapel with the student body; Fr. Webster, chaplain, celebrated. The first paper of the day, "Christianity and Psychiatry" was prepared and read by the Rev. John W. Tuton. The Rev. Gale Webbe was the respondent to the thesis. The clericus adjourned for lunch, returning to hear a paper "The Liturgical Revival in the Evangelical Churches" in the afternoon. The Rev. Robert J. McCloskey was the essayist. Following the discussion there was held election of officers, the Rev. Albert P. Mack presiding. New officers elected: President, Fr. Webster; Treasurer, Fr. Sill; Secretary, Mr. McCloskey. The Rev. Robert Campbell acted as Secretary pro-tem. Greetings were ordered sent to absent members. Eighteen clergy were present.

## **PROVINCIAL SYNOD**

The Provincial Synod met in Tampa, Fla., on October 10 & 11. The Woman's Auxiliary of the Synod met at the same time. The several Departments and Commissions of the Province reported on their work and needs. Bishop Henry, chm. of the provincial department of promotion, urged support of The Episcopal Hour by all dioceses in the next three years. The Synod included these costs in the budget adopted, and recommended official action to receive funds to cover costs of the broadcast in 1951. The expanded building program of the University of the South at Sewanee was explained and Dioceses and churches urged to remember that expanded facilities at the Seminary now would somewhat alleviate clergy shortages in years to come. The Kanuga Conference program was presented by Mr. Willard Verduin, manager. Canon T. O. Wedel of Washington addressed the Synod at the evening service on the 10th concerning the great need of the Church to be the vehicle of the Covenant between God and His people. Bishop Penick was re-

elected presiding officer of the Synod. Among those delegates from the Diocese of W.N.C. were the Bishop, the Rev. Messers. Jenkins, Morgan, McCloskey, Winters; Messers. Balthis, Wiese, and Tyndall.

## **DIOCESAN YOUTH CONVENTION**

*Peggy Jean Horton*

*P. O. Box 139*

*Hickory, N. C.*

Upon arriving at the Grace Church in Morganton, we went to the church and registered. That night we had a delicious supper at the church prepared by the women of the church. After supper David Reid, president of the young churchmen, welcomed us to the convention and introduced our speaker for the night, Mr. C. F. Cole, from Charlotte, N. C. We afterward had a square dance in the parish house. At 10:15 we had prayers and then everyone went to the homes where they had been placed for the night.

The next morning was the big day of the convention. At 8:15 we had Holy Communion in the church. At 9:00 we enjoyed breakfast at one of the cafes in downtown Morganton. The business session was called to order at 10:15 by David Reid, president. We were led in prayer by the Rev. Mark Jenkins, Youth Commissioner. We had reports from the different churches represented on what the Youth Groups were doing. After the reports, Bishop Henry talked to us about knowing the church and making it known. After his talk we had a five minute recess. We started the business session with the election of officers for the coming year. They are as follows:

President—Clara Kate Boggs.

Vice-President—Dick Bartlett.

Secretary-Treasurer—Bob Jeeter.

Youth Commission Province—David Reid.

Editor of the Youth News—Peggy Horton.

## THE PATTERSON SCHOOL

Another of our Diocesan institutions about which we have heard a great deal in the past few years is the Patterson School for Boys. Members of the Episcopal Church and other friends have rightly judged the school's program to be a missionary project, designed to develop intelligent Christian gentlemen. Since the State's school bus system has made it possible for every child to enjoy a free education, the original mission of the school as a school for mountain boys has been completed. The usefulness of the school can be seen by noting alumni in the ranks of the ministry, manufacturers, business men, agricultural and other professional fields. We are proud of the leadership they have given their respective communities.

As the American way of life has changed, so has the school in order to meet the present day challenge. Its service has been extended to students of other States and distant communities. At present 15 States, Alaska, and Mexico are represented. These boys are intelligently prepared to take up any course they choose in college or university. The curriculum is so arranged that those who may not be interested in college training at present may nevertheless meet entrance requirements if they decide later to take advantage of a college education. In either case, the additional electives of typing, agriculture, or forestry are available to those who desire them.

The general trend in educational institutions is to add military training. Most Americans are forcing themselves to believe that the way of peace is through war, which is contrary to Christian teaching. We of the Patterson

School hold the Christian view that peace comes only through faith in Our Lord and Saviour. Therefore, we feel that the strongest forces in life are developed in and through the influences of the Church. The power inherent in the Church is more effective than guns, military equipment, military knowledge, or all the combined military services. Here we cherish and value the Christian way of living and thinking to the end of developing Christian character. Through the Church and all it stands for, the Patterson School seeks to train sound intelligent Christian citizens of tomorrow.

Physical education is also a part of the students' life. For the first time a full-time director of a Physical Education Department brings this training to every student in the school. Football, basketball, baseball and other forms of athletics are also encouraged. Here the student not only works off steam but plays to win in an honest, clean way. He has an opportunity to demonstrate real character, fast thinking, and skillful physical coordination. Athletics at Patterson School are a means of developing the whole man.

Our life is not all play, or even play and study—work also has a place. Each student does squad work which amounts to chores about a home. Work scholarships are also granted to good students which enable them to help pay a part of their expenses. These students work ten hours a week in addition to squad work. All work is honorable and is here treated as another part in each boy's education for citizenship. We share the values of honest work with each other and the school as you share the benefits of honest labor with your family, Church and community.

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**PAROCHIAL SCHOOLS GROW IN EPISCOPAL CHURCH ESPECIAL-  
LY IN SOUTH.**—Episcopal parochial schools are spreading throughout the South, and their rapid growth during the past few years is "the Church's answer to a too materialistic public school system." So said the Rev. David C. Colony, rector of St. Martin's Episcopal

Church, Metairie, La., and newly elected national president of the Episcopal parish school association. Mr. Colony said that during the last two years, eleven Episcopal schools have been established in Louisiana, and "they are mushrooming throughout the nation, especially in the South."



## WOMAN'S AUXILIARY

*Lanthe Rush Campbell*

### Woman's Auxiliary Board Meeting

The regular Fall meeting of the Executive Board was held at the Church of The Ascension in Hickory. The dates and places for the Fall District meetings were revised as follows:

District I. November 2nd, St. Mary's Asheville.

District II and IV. November 3rd, Redeemer, Shelby.

District II. November 8th, St. Mary's, Quaker Meadows.

District V. November 5, St. Cyprian's, Franklin.

You are urged to attend your district meeting.

Mrs. Donald Shoemaker of Asheville was appointed The Woman's Auxiliary Representative to the North Carolina Council of Church Women.

Your Executive Board is looking forward to The Training Institute which will be held in The Districts—in the Spring!

Bishop Henry gave an encouraging picture of the work in the Diocese. He urged the members of the Woman's Auxiliary to help promote attendance at the Congregational meetings being held in various parts of the Diocese this fall, at which time key laymen will present the program of the Church with recordings, slides and talks. He also asked that the women promote attendance at the three Teacher Training Institutes to be held on the following dates:

December 10—Franklin, St. Agnes, (For Southwestern part of Diocese).

December 11—Asheville, Trinity — (For Central part of Diocese).

December 12—Hickory, Ascension (For Diocese East of Marion).

Time: 7:30 P. M.

Mrs. Alex Menzies and Mrs. Robert Campbell were joint hostesses at a luncheon in the new rectory for the members, with Mrs. Henry and the Rev.

and Mrs. Charles Leavell as special guests.

### HAPPENINGS THROUGHOUT THE DIOCESE

Hendersonville — The four groups of the Woman's Auxiliary of St. James Church met this fall in the new Parish House. Miss Carrie Hughes presided. Mrs. Hugh Durham conducted the devotional service. Mrs. A. B. Stoney of Morganton gave a most helpful talk about The United Thank Offering. Tea was served following the meeting.

Shelby—A Girl's Friendly Society has been organized at Redeemer. The group is under the leadership of the Student and Youth Chairman, Mrs. B. T. Falls, Jr.

A Y.P.S.L. has also been organized in Shelby. Congratulations to the Student and Youth Chairman!

Hickory—At the September General meeting of the Woman's Auxiliary, Mrs. Mary Haden of Hendersonville, was the main speaker. Those attending received Mrs. Haden enthusiastically, and felt greatly helped by her inspiring message. Mrs. Lawrence Cline presided, and Mrs. John Coogler conducted the devotional service. A tea followed the meeting. The Hickory Auxiliary now has five circles.

Lenoir — The two groups of the St. James Auxiliary are sponsoring the Bazaar to be held this Fall.

### WORLD DAY OF PRAYER

We are fast approaching one of the greatest days when we as Christian women can join together: The World Day of Prayer. The next World Day of Prayer will be observed February 3. Last year out of a million and quarter Protestant women in North Carolina, around 20 thousand attended a World Day of Prayer Service. That number is far too small. Did you attend a service? The Episcopal Church is a prime mover in the Ecumenical Movement. So won't you start now to help those in your community who are responsible for this service.



## ST. CYPRIANS, LINCOLNTON

A contract and agreement has been made and entered into between the Diocese and the Town of Lincolnton to rehabilitate the old St. Cyprian's building into a chapel and recreational center for the colored people of the Community. The Rev. Richard J. Lee, Rector of St. Luke's Church, Lincolnton, presented the project to the Mayor and City Council and later secured the permission of The Bishop and Trustees to lease the building and land for a period of twenty years to the Recreation Commission of the Town of Lincolnton, with the understanding that the Recreation Board rehabilitate and keep in proper repair the entire building for the duration of the lease; that all major changes of the present building must be approved by the Bishop or by the Rector of St. Luke's Church-in-Lincolnton; that the chancel of the present building be shut off from the rest of the building by folding doors, to be used as the Chapel of St. Cyprians Church; that the nave of the

present Church be converted into a recreation room, and that it be expressly understood that the Church may use the entire building if deemed necessary for funerals, etc.

This arrangement is placing Old St. Cyprian's Church back into the life of the Diocese, with little expense to the Diocese and at the same time providing a properly supervised center of recreation for the colored people of the entire Community. A community men's club has already been organized with a membership of around twenty. They meet every Friday night and after a short business session they have a devotional address by the Rector of St. Luke's and a good citizenship talk by a visiting speaker. The colored adults can vision already the civic, social, intellectual and religious benefits to be received by the establishment of such a center. What a wonderful opportunity for the Episcopal Church to take these Negro girls and boys, men and women and help them to grow in wisdom and stature, in favor with God and with man.

## THE NEW ST. JAMES

The congregation of ST. JAMES, HENDERSONVILLE, proudly observed recently the "moving in" of the old nave to the newly completed Choir and Sanctuary. The East Wall of the old Church was recently removed making use of the new section possible.

The first service held in the new St. James was a christening on October 14. The second service was a celebration of the Holy Communion the next morning, the 19th Sunday after Trinity, at 8:00 A. M. The third service was for the young people at 9:30 A. M., and the fourth service, attended by about 200 people, was a special service of praise and thanksgiving to God.

Father Sill assisted the rector with the Sunday morning services at 11:00 o'clock. Three other clergy were present, two of them in procession, Rev. Dr. Nathan Seagle, of New York City; Rev. Dr. W. H. K. Pendleton, of Flat Rock; and the Rev. Dr. Hindry, of St. Augustine, Fla.

The St. James choir, under the direction of Mrs. F. W. Ewbank, led the congregation in singing appropriate and beautiful hymns, "Rejoice, Give Thanks, and Sing," "Now Thank We All Our God," and "The Church's One Foundation." The Magnificat was used for the anthem, Miss Esther Gongdon singing the solo parts.

The rector in his address pointed out that this was not a formal opening, but that we were just "moving in."

For six Sundays, while the new Church was being joined to the old, services were held in the new Assembly Room in the Parish House.

Strictly speaking, the new St. James is not a new building. The nave is the old nave built during the War Between the States and consecrated while the Battle of Chicamauga was being fought. The foundations of the Sanctuary, Choir, Morning Chapel, Organ Chamber, and the Sacristies of the new part were built about 40 years ago. All of this work



Palmyra Hall, Administration Building and Dormitory, Patterson School, Legerwood, North Carolina

ST. GEORGE'S CHURCH, WEST ASHEVILLE, was recent recipient of a gift of \$300 from Trinity Church, Asheville. The gift came from the budgeted funds of Trinity itemized as "evangelism." Other parishes might well consider such methods of evangelism—through a new or strategic mission.

DR. GEORGE F. TAYLOR will conduct a teaching mission on "The Bible"

at Trinity Church, Asheville, during the week of November 27th.

Mr. "Bill" Verduin, resident business manager of KANUGA CONFERENCES, invited the Churchmen of the area to spend a few moments on Fall Sunday afternoons amid the glory of autumnal coloring at the beautiful setting which is Kanuga. The Chapel was open for prayers and recorded music was heard in the background.

**THE NEW ST. JAMES—Continued**  
has now been completed and joined to the old nave.

The bronze tablet in memory of the Rev. Reginald Norton Willcox was removed from the old chancel and will be placed in the new. During Fr. Willcox's rectorate plans for the new Church were made and the foundations laid.

In addition to other memorials, a new Font and Prayer Desk have been given. The Font is given by Mr. and Mrs. J. K. Singletary in memory of the late Dr. N. Collin Hughes, father of the Misses

Carolina and Elizabeth Hughes. The Litany Desk is given by Mrs. Carolyn Kimball Gibbs in memory of her brother, the Rev. Thatcher R. Kimball.

A new General Electric Oil Heating Plant has been installed in one of the rooms of the basement in the new part of the building. A beautiful *Cathedral Red Carpet* has been laid over the whole Sanctuary and in the aisles leading to all doors. One of the great joys of the new plant is the fact that it contains new and ample choir and priests' sacristies.

## WITHIN OUR BORDERS—FALL ROUNDUP

THE REV. WILLIAM T. CAPERS on leave of absence from Holy Cross Church, Tryon, has tendered his resignation to the Vestry due to his continued poor health. Mr. Caper's many friends in the Diocese trust his retirement will afford him chances for rest and improved health. The Rev. Newton Middleton, D.D., is continuing as locum tenens at Holy Cross.

A large Confirmation Class was presented at CHURCH OF THE ASCENSION in Hickory in October. This was the second class confirmed this year; another group will be presented before Christmas.

TRINITY, ASHEVILLE, found it necessary to divide their congregation into two parts for the presentation of the Every Member Canvass drive; Trinity's Parish Hall not being large enough to accommodate the whole church family at supper at one time. These identical parish meetings were held on consecutive evenings, October 30th and 31st. The division of the congregation into two groups was arbitrarily effected — the split being alphabetically.

UNITED THANK OFFERING Fall presentations from scattered reports seems to have been "up" considerably over the previous year. Due to the important share of our mission program covered by UTO funds, this is indeed a good sign.

ALL SOULS, BILTMORE, is carefully examining the Earnest Ligon Character Building Plan for adaptation to their program of Religious Education in the Parish. Dr. Ligon's Plan is a relatively new development in the field of religious education. Those interested in new techniques in religious education shall watch All Souls with great interest if the plan is adopted.

HOLY CROSS, TRYON, reports happily that a total number of seventy children and young people are included within their church family.

On Sunday October 29, the Feast of

Christ the King, in the course of Solemn Procession before the late mass, a memorial to Miss Maud Hamilton was blessed in ST. MARY'S CHURCH, ASHEVILLE.

The memorial, consisting of a complete set of appointments surrounding the Font—a brocade dossal, an oak shelf with brass candlesticks, a brass font-cover, and an oak crucifix bearing the figure of Christ the King—is a magnificent addition to the lovely physical equipment of St. Mary's, and fills a long-felt want. Beyond that, no more fitting memorial to Miss Hamilton could possibly be chosen, for in the early days of St. Marys' she stood at the Font on numerous occasions, as god-mother to children and adults. Surely her spirit still surrounds this hallowed spot in the church, as her memory lives in the hearts of those who knew her.

The memorial is given to the glory of God and in memory of Maud Hamilton by Paul H. Gearhart of Buffalo, N. Y. It was designed by Charles Grigsby, working in cooperation with Miss Blanche Hamilton, Robert Paterson, and Fred Maiwurm.

THE CHURCH OF THE MESSIAH, MURPHY, Mr. William Bolton in charge, observed a "revival" conducted by Bishop Henry on September 18-22.

The preceding week Bishop Henry was the speaker at the Murphy Lions Club meeting. During the week of the revival, in addition to preaching at the Church of the Messiah each night, Monday through Friday, he spoke to the Civitan Club Monday night, and met with the Episcopal Men's Club Tuesday night after the service. After the service on Wednesday night he was the preacher at a service at St. Barnabas Church. Thursday he spoke at the Murphy School in the morning to the Andrews Rotary Club at noon and to the Woman's Auxiliary of the Church of the Messiah in the afternoon.



## WITHIN OUR BORDERS—FALL ROUNDUP (Continued)

ST. JAMES, BLACK MOUNTAIN, and TRINITY, HAW CREEK, though served by lay readers and a retired minister for the past two years has not been wholly inactive, and manifestations of interest and growth are encouragingly present.

On the first Sunday in October the congregation observed Youth Sunday and a birthday of one of its eighty-one year old youngsters, with a service in which the young people of the Church took part; and was followed by a fellowship hour in the rectory, at which time a sumptuous luncheon was served. The children of the Church school, wished to show their affection and appreciation of a beloved friend and teacher, and the entire congregation joined them in it. Miss Carrie Maney, a long and devoted member of Saint James, who has served faithful in almost every phase of the Church's work received a beautiful tribute of appreciation from the Bishop of the Diocese, while the minister expressed the appreciation of the congregation. The children of the Church School presented her with many gifts,

gifts which expressed a deep and beautiful affection. The Saint James congregation, impressed with a deep sense of responsibility, and awake to its opportunities for growth, is cooperating with the Bishop in a plan to secure the services of an able minister, who will devote his entire time to Saint James, and to visiting in the three adjoining hospitals. They have accepted quite an increase in contributions towards the support of a resident minister. Summer congregations have been exceptionally fine.

Trinity Chapel, Haw Creek, has reorganized its vested choir, with emphasis on building up a junior choir; the woman's Auxiliary is active; and during the summer the Church building was painted, both inside and outside. This latter has added much to the appearance of the Church building, as has also the shrubbery which the women of the Church planted last spring. Few congregations of its size have such splendid responses in the service, or better music. Congregational singing is exceptionally good, and some good voices are in the choir.

## CHAPTERS IN DIOCESAN HISTORY

*The Rev. James B. Sill*  
*Diocesan Historiographer*

*St. Francis Church, Rutherfordton*

As with other Churches of the diocese St. Francis Church suffered from the effects of the Civil War. From 1864 to 1873 no regular services were held and the parish was cut off from its diocesan standing. It was readmitted in 1875. We find Rev. E. A. Osborne, rector of Calvary Church, Fletcher, coming in 1877 "to preach there once a month." being sent by Bishop Atkinson. Mr. Osborne was in deacon's orders. He reports in diocesan journal that he was to receive one-hundred dollars a year and that "Rev. Dr. Buel administers Holy Communion on the 5th Sunday in the

month when it occurs. "Though the parish is very feeble, the services of the Church here are very well attended." He continued coming for a few years, but opening of the missions near Fletcher evidently prevented his taking the long journey, for we find that from 1882 to 1887 the parish was without regular services. Bishop Lyman visited the parish during these years. And in 1887 Mr. Osborne again takes charge, this time coming from Charlotte, being a diocesan missionary. He had been ordained priest while at Fletcher. He later became superintendent of the Thompson Orphanage at Charlotte, very much beloved as such. Rev. Arthur W. Wrixon followed at Rutherfordton as missionary in charge 1889, continuing a few years.



## DIOCESAN HISTORY—Concluded

serving Shelby and Tryon also. There were not more than 10 or 12 communicants at the time.

In 1892 we find Rev. Gerard W. Phelps having charge, while living at Shelby. He reports in 1893 "The work at St. Johns last year was much encouraged by the help given by a party of ladies from Wilmington — repainting, whitening, and varnishing doors and walls and chancel railing, and refitting and repairing lamps, and putting up the fence about the Church. But the roof of this Church is old and sadly needs new shingling."

A brighter day was about to dawn for St. Johns. We read of Rev. Charles J. Wingate taking up the work, coming from Marion, where he had charge of the Church there.

He reports in 1898 "congregations always large. Col. Coxe is erecting a stone

chapel for the use of the Mission." Communicants reported 14. The new Church was completed in 1899, its valuation \$7,000.00, and was consecrated on Ascension Day, 1900 by Rt. Rev. J. M. Horner, being named St. Francis, and being built in memory of Col. Frank Coxe's parents, Francis S. Coxe and Jane McBee (Alexander) Coxe.

The Jurisdiction of Asheville had been formed out of the diocese of North Carolina in 1895. Bishop Cheshire, of North Carolina Diocese served as bishop of the jurisdiction until the consecration of Bishop Horner as its missionary bishop in 1898. Among Communicants registered at St. Francis in 1900 we find those of the families of Twitty, Thurston, Sharp, Coxe, Justice, Hicks, Wal-drop and Haywood. The town's population was under 900. Col. Coxe's parents lived a short distance east of the

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town, having built their home in 1885, and it is interesting to record that it forms a part of the present Spindale Community house. There was no Spindale in those days. The Southern R. R. which came thru in 1890 and went on to Marion, had a flag station at Coxe's Crossing. The home of Col. Frank Coxe, who had come to Rutherfordton from Philadelphia, was what has been generally known as The Green River House, some ten miles from town. A Chapel called St. Joseph's, was built on the hill-side above the home. The donor of it was Mrs. R. M. Thurston, Mrs. Thurston was an aunt of Mrs. Cox who was of the Carson family, the original owners of the plantation on the Green River; and later, at a short distance beyond the entrance to the home place, was built St. Andrew's Chapel for the negro workers, on the estate, and their families.

Rev. A. de R. Meares, of the Marion Missions, served St. Francis for a time, and then clergy from Lincolnton served the Mission, it now having a status as an organized Mission. One from Lincolnton, later well known in the diocese, who served St. Francis, was Rev. John C. Seagle. Ordained a deacon in 1903, he was of the Seagle family, old residents of Henderson County, and had received training for the ministry, as had also his brother Nathan, at the Ravenscroft School, Asheville, a school for ones studying for the ministry. Rev. Nathan Seagle, as also John, were graduates of the Gen. Theolog. Seminary in New York. Nathan became rector of St. Stephen's Church, New York City, continuing there throughout his ministry of 50 years.

The brighter day for the Church at Rutherfordton that began with the erection of the new Church continued with the coming of Drs. Henry Morris and M. H. Biggs in 1906 for the purpose of opening a hospital. This was accomplished by taking over and adding to a building formerly occupied as a Military Institute. By 1911 the present beautiful building was completed, the older one

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### DIOCESAN HISTORY—Continued

being removed. These physicians and their families were of the Church and were active in its welfare, had come from the Philadelphia neighborhood, and the rectorship of St. Francis being va-

cant and at their suggestion, Rev. Frederick D. Lobdell, also from Philadelphia, became its rector. In the 1908 report to the diocese, St. Francis has again become a parish, Rev. F. D. Lobdell, the rector, communicants numbering twenty-nine.

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Dr. Boylston Green, Vice-Chancellor and President of the University of the South to give convention address.

## APOLOGY WITHOUT REGRETS

THIS ISSUE OF THE HIGHLAND CHURCHMAN has somewhat of a different character than the usual issue in that it has been set-up in part as a pre-convention issue; it has been mailed later in the month than usual in order to include convention matters.

Quite noticeable is the space allotted to the proposed budget to be reviewed by the 29th annual convention for the fiscal year 1952. Do not be alarmed; this paper has not passed from the Department of Promotion to that of Finance! Actually the proposed budget might well be included in the report of the Department of Missions, or, the Committee on the State of the Church, instead of the Department of Finance, for, it concerns much more than dollars and cents. The increases proposed are due to new churches, new clergy, new missionary activity, and, renewed life in the Diocese. The Executive Council and the Bishop is anxious that all churches study it immediately; this prior printing should give all delegates some time to consider it. Such study, and some prayer, should insure against last minute uncertainties which usually accompany convention reports that are passed out with the mimeo ink still wet.

We have not included a Bishop's column this month. We hope to include his convention address in the May Issue.

## GLEANINGS FROM APRIL EXECUTIVE COUNCIL MEETING

The Department of Christian Education has made advance this year in teacher training programs. The laity are being given opportunity to acquaint themselves with the new program of Christian Education in the Church. . . . The Department of Promotion is making plans for the Every Member Canvass in the Fall. The Highland Churchman is undergoing changes in size, format, content, and art layout — the revised version to be ready by Fall. . . . There is an agent for the Church Fire Insurance Corporation resident in North

## TWENTY-NINTH ANNUAL CONVENTION

ST. JAMES CHURCH, HENDERSONVILLE, NORTH CAROLINA

WEDNESDAY AND THURSDAY, MAY 9-10, 1951

First Day, Wednesday, May 9th

10:30 A. M.—Holy Communion

11:15 A. M.—Organization of Convention

Annual Address of the Bishop of the Diocese

Appointment of Committees

Reports of Officers

1:00 P. M.—Luncheon in the Parish House

2:30 P. M.—Convention Called to Order

Reports of Officers, Departments, Committees

Nominations of those to be elected by ballots;

elections to be held on the Second Day

Resolutions and Miscellaneous Business

5:00 P. M.—Adjournment

6:00 P. M.—Dinner at Parish House

8:00 P. M.—Evening Service in the Church

Address by Dr. Boylston Green, President and Vice-Chancellor,  
University of the South, Sewanee, Tenn.

Second Day, Thursday, May 10th

7:30 A. M.—Holy Communion

9:30 A. M.—Morning Prayer

10:15 A. M.—Convention Called to Order

Supplementary Report of Committee on Credentials

Reading and Approving of Minutes

Adoption of Budget

Elections

Report of Special Committees of this Convention

Report of Committees on Constitution and Canons

Report of Tellers on Results of Elections

Report of Committee on Unfinished Business

1:00 P. M.—Adjournment

1:15 P. M.—Luncheon in Parish House

Carolina now. . . . The Womans All Saints Offering amounted to over \$600. . . . Some neophyte mistook the Bishop's Staff case for a zither case. . . . The Bishop reported that three Seminary graduates will become resident in the Diocese this summer pending their graduation. They will be placed in charge of three separate mission fields. The Bishop also reported, that according to present schedule, within two years there should not be a Church in the diocese without regular and resident clergy. . . . Mr. Redwood was not surprised that so few Churches had forwarded their first quarterly payments on apportionment and assessment.

### THOMPSON ORPHANAGE HEAD HONORED

Mr. M. D. Whisnant, superintendent of Thompson Orphanage, Charlotte, was made president of the Southeastern Conference of Workers in Homes for Children, at a recent meeting of that organization held in Charlotte. The Conference report listed 95 delegates registered representing 31 institutions in Southeast America. Thompson Orphanage was host to a tea given delegates at the close of the three-day conference. Thompson is an official institution of the Carolina Dioceses of the Episcopal Church.

# PROPOSED BUDGET FOR 1952 GENERAL CHURCH AND MISSION FUND

I	National Church Program	12,500.00
II	Provincial Church Dues Province of Sewanee	675.00
III	Diocesan Work	

## A—Missions and Church Extension

(1951 Total)	Stipend	Travel	Pension	Total
Bat Cave (800)	800.00			800.00
Black Mountain (1,150)	1,000.00		150.00	1,150.00
Boone (1,380)	1,200.00		180.00	1,380.00
Canton (621)	480.00		72.00	552.00
Craggy (1,350)	1,000.00	200.00	150.00	1,350.00
Franklin St. Agnes (1,542)	1,080.00	300.00	162.00	1,542.00
Franklin St. Cyprian (800)	800.00		300.00	2,300.00
Murphy (1,200)	1,200.00			
Lincolnton (621)	480.00		72.00	552.00
Rfdtn., St. Gabriel (2,565)	1,890.00	150.00	284.00	2,324.00
Valle Crucis (2,270)	1,800.00	200.00	270.00	2,270.00
Waynesville (747)	580.00		87.00	667.00
West Asheville				
St. George (New)	1,200.00			1,200.00
Asheville, St. Matthias (N)	1,000.00		150.00	1,150.00
Asheville, Grace (New)	1,000.00		150.00	1,150.00
Burke Co. Missions (New)	1,000.00		150.00	1,150.00
Bessemer City (New)	1,000.00		150.00	1,150.00
Wilkesboro (New)	1,000.00		150.00	1,150.00
Archdeacon Kennedy		150.00		150.00
Deaf Work—Rev. Jas. L.				
Fortune (New)		100.00		100.00
UTO Workers	6,300.00	200.00		6,500.00
Department Expense				150.00

Total—Department of Missions (23,846) 28,737.00

## B—Department of Christian Social Relations

100.00

## C—Department of Christian Education

### Schools and Colleges

University of the South (500)	500.00	
St. Mary's School (250)	250.00	
Appalachian School (500)	500.00	
Patterson School (1,000)	1,000.00	
Chapel Hill (200)	200.00	
Kanuga Conferences (100)	100.00	
Teachers Training Scholarship (50)	50.00	2,600.00

### Commission Work

Children's Commission (240)	215.00	
Youth Commission (100)	100.00	
Schools & Colleges Expense (25)	25.00	
Adult Commission (25)	50.00	390.00
Departmental Expense		60.00

Total—Department of Christian Education (3,050) 3,050.00

## D—Department of Promotion

Highland Churchman (900)	900.00
Visual Aid (100)	100.00
Promotional Activity (100)	100.00
Departmental Expense (100)	100.00

Total—Department of Promotion (1200) 1,200.00

Total—General Church and Mission Fund Budget 46,262.00

## CREDITS

National Council for UTO Workers (\$5,000)	6,000.00
Holt Fund (2,000)	2,000.00
Embury Fund (900)	900.00
Reserve (6,000)	6,000.00
Woman Auxiliary (900)	900.00
Bishop Matthews (800)	800.00
	16,600.00

Apportion to Parishes and Missions 29% (24,947—26% 29,662.00



# **PROPOSED BUDGET FOR 1952** **DIOCESAN EXPENSE FUND**

## **I—Diocesan Officers**

### **A—Bishop**

Salary (6,000) .....	6,000.00	
Pension Premium (1,050) .....	1,050.00	
Secretary (1,040) .....	1,040.00	
Travel & Office (1,360) .....	1,360.00	9,450.00

### **B—Convention Secretary**

Salary (250) .....	250.00	
Pension Premium (37.50) .....	37.50	287.50

### **C—Treasurer**

Audit and Expense (200) .....	200.00	200.00
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**9,937.50**

## **II—Property Upkeep**

Bishop's House (250) .....	250.00	
Insurance on Home (75) .....	75.00	
Insurance Schoenberger Hall (50) .....	50.00	
Replacement of Bishop's Car (300) .....	300.00	675.00

## **III—Conventions**

### **A—Diocesan**

Printing Journal (600) .....	600.00	
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### **B—Provincial**

Expenses of Delegates (100) .....	100.00	
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### **C—General**

Assessment (312) .....	250.00	
Expenses of Deputies (600) .....	600.00	1,550.00

IV—Miscellaneous, Committees, Etc., (225) .....	225.00	225.00
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Total Diocesan Expense Fund (12,450) .....		12,387.50
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### **CREDITS**

Endowment Fund Income (2,000) .....	2,000.00	
Ravenscroft Income (1200) .....	1,300.00	3,300.00

Assess Parishes and Missions 9% (9,250—10%) .....		9,087.50
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## **SIGNS OF THE TIMES**

Some statistics from the Missionary District of North Texas, which do, literally speak for themselves:

	<i>1940</i>	<i>1950</i>
Baptisms .....	134	293
Confirmations ----	116	408
Baptized Persons --	2,919	5,648
Communicants ----	2,297	3,788
Church School ----	783	1,816
Receipts .....	\$38,722	\$440,331
Missions quota ----	\$ 2,300	\$ 8,029

## **ROGATIONTIDE**

April 29 and 30, May 1 and 2, days preceding Ascension Day, are observed widely in the Episcopal Church as Rogation Days. The origin of the custom has been traced to Mamertus, Bishop of Vienne (460) who appointed annual Litanies on these days. Litan-

ies had been used for the purpose of praying for rain, or for fair weather, but on the occasion of some calamities in his diocese, Mamertus appointed Litanies or Rogations to be observed yearly before the Feast of the Ascension. These were soon called "The Rogation Days" and the observance was soon received throughout Gaul and from there passed to the Anglo-Saxon Church. Before the day of large cities, the Litany was said or sung as the people marched in procession around the boundaries of the parish, stopping at various places to offer prayers for seed-time and harvest. In this country the outdoor procession continued in some places, mostly rural, but special prayers for "a fruitful season," and "blessing upon this land" are used in all Episcopal Churches at this time.



ASSESSMENT		PROPOSED	APPORTIONMENT	
1951	1952		1951	1952
444.00	456.00	Asheville, St. Mary's .....	1,140.00	1,464.00
72.00	60.00	Asheville, St. Matthias .....	190.00	204.00
1,620.00	1,548.00	Asheville, Trinity .....	4,200.00	4,980.00
1,880.00	1,080.00	Biltmore, All Souls .....	3,090.00	3,480.00
228.00	204.00	Brevard, St. Philips' .....	595.00	660.00
120.00	120.00	Flat Rock, St. John's .....	300.00	372.00
432.00	420.00	Fletcher, Calvary .....	1,110.00	1,344.00
420.00	480.00	Gastonia, St. Mark's .....	1,090.00	1,524.00
432.00	420.00	Hendersonville, St. James' .....	1,110.00	1,380.00
396.00	456.00	Hickory, Ascension .....	1,030.00	1,476.00
288.00	288.00	Lenoir, St. James' .....	745.00	912.00
108.00	132.00	Lincolnton, St. Luke's .....	290.00	420.00
240.00	240.00	Marion, St. John's .....	625.00	780.00
624.00	600.00	Morganton, Grace .....	1,615.00	1,944.00
468.00	432.00	Rutherfordton, St. Francis .....	1,220.00	1,392.00
852.00	828.00	Tryon, Holy Cross .....	2,215.00	2,664.00
192.00	228.00	Waynesville, Grace .....	480.00	720.00
96.00	84.00	Wilkesboro, St. Paul's .....	255.00	288.00
8,220.00	8,076.00	TOTAL Parishes .....	21,300.00	26,004.00
12.00	12.00	Andrews, Chapel of the Holy Comforter .....	25.00	25.00
36.00	36.00	Arden, Christ School .....	95.00	108.00
48.00	36.00	Asheville (Chunn's Cove) St. Luke's .....	120.00	96.00
144.00	144.00	Asheville (Craggy) The Redeemer .....	285.00	285.00
36.00	24.00	Asheville (Haw Creek) Trinity Chapel .....	100.00	84.00
24.00	36.00	Asheville (Grace) .....	50.00	75.00
12.00	24.00	West Asheville, St. George .....	25.00	50.00
36.00	72.00	Bat Cave, Transfiguration .....	90.00	240.00
12.00	12.00	Beaver Creek, St. Mary's .....	25.00	25.00
72.00	96.00	Bessemer City, St. Andrew's .....	195.00	300.00
96.00	72.00	Black Mountain, St. James' .....	255.00	216.00
120.00	120.00	Blowing Rock, St. Mary's .....	305.00	300.00
60.00	60.00	Boone, St. Luke's .....	150.00	108.00
12.00	12.00	Burke County, St. Paul's .....	25.00	25.00
96.00	96.00	Canton, St. Andrew's .....	250.00	240.00
12.00	12.00	Cherokee, St. Francis of Assisi .....	25.00	25.00
24.00	36.00	Edneyville, St. Paul's .....	75.00	108.00
108.00	108.00	Franklin, St. Agnes .....	275.00	348.00
12.00	12.00	Franklin, St. Cyprian's .....	25.00	25.00
96.00	96.00	Highlands, Incarnation .....	235.00	312.00
24.00	24.00	High Shoals, St. John's .....	60.00	60.00
12.00	12.00	Hot Springs, St. John's .....	30.00	36.00
12.00	12.00	Legerwood, Chapel of Rest .....	25.00	25.00
12.00	12.00	Lincolnton, St. Cyprian's .....	25.00	25.00
24.00	24.00	Lincolnton, Our Saviour .....	45.00	48.00
12.00	12.00	Morganton, St. Mary's .....	30.00	36.00
12.00	12.00	Morganton, St. Stephen's .....	25.00	25.00
72.00	84.00	Murphy, Messiah .....	185.00	288.00
	12.00	Murphy, St. Barnabas .....		25.00
36.00	24.00	Rutherfordton, St. Gabriel's .....	80.00	60.00
24.00	24.00	Saluda, Transfiguration .....	65.00	84.00
132.00	156.00	Shelby, The Redeemer .....	340.00	480.00
24.00	24.00	Sylva, St. John's .....	60.00	60.00
84.00	96.00	Valle Crucis, Holy Cross .....	210.00	288.00
1,536.00	1,644.00	TOTAL—Organized Missions .....	3,810.00	4,535.00
12.00	12.00	Avery Co., Linville, All Saints .....	25.00	25.00
	12.00	Caldwell County, Blackstone .....		25.00
12.00	12.00	Henderson Co., St. John the Baptist .....	25.00	25.00
12.00	12.00	Jackson Co., Cashiers, Good Shepherd .....	25.00	25.00
	12.00	Little Switzerland, Resurrection .....		
18.00	18.00	Penland, Good Shepherd .....	50.00	60.00
12.00	12.00	Polk Co., Good Shepherd .....	25.00	25.00
66.00	90.00	TOTAL — Unorganized Missions .....	150.00	185.00
9,822.00	9,810.00	TOTAL — DIOCESE .....	25,260.00	30,724.00

## THE DEPARTMENT OF CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

**The Rev. Robert B. Campbell. Chm.**

The department of Christian Education in the diocese functions chiefly through its four commissions: The Children's Commission, with The Rev. Richard Lee, of Lincolnton, Chairman; the Youth Commission, the Rev. Mark Jenkins, Chairman; the Schools and College Commission, the Rev. James P. Burke, Chairman; the Adult Commission, Mrs. Francis Field, Chairman.

The following Teacher Training Institutes are being held under the direction of the Children's Commission: Ascension Hickory, April 29th, Trinity, Asheville, April 30th, St. Agnes, Franklin May 1st. Each institute will start at 7:30 p.m.

The date for the Diocesan Camp, under the supervision of the Youth Commission, has been set for the third week in June. We do hope that many of the young people of the Diocese will enjoy this splendid camp at Patterson School, again, this year.

Twenty laymen, ten men and ten women, throughout the diocese have been invited to a conference of Christian Education, patterned on the Clergy Conference in Washington. This conference for the laymen will be held at Seawanee, Tennessee, July 29th-July 1st, and will be led by Dr. Heuss, of the National Council. It will afford our Diocese a fine opportunity to know more thoroughly, even, than now, the educational program of our general church. These twenty laymen will be available for talks and visits to give parishes the benefit of the conference.

Our educational program is designed for every member of the family. The New Curriculum is concerned not so much with individuals as with families. Indeed, it begins with special instructions in Christian Marriage, Christian home building, preparing of parents and sponsors for baptism, and this has been called "Christian Pediatrics," for the care of our "tiniest" souls.

The Schools and College Commission

is prepared to secure for those in service Service Crosses, and prayer books of special army and navy types, as in World War II, for our boys and girls in the service of our country. However, the commission points out that these can be secured by the rector of any parish, by writing The Rev. James P. Burke, Hendersonville, for further information.

The Department is prepared to help a few with scholarships to Kanuga Adult Conference for the purpose of Training in Teaching in Sunday Schools. The Department has \$50 available for this purpose. Mrs. Field, chairman of the adult commission, would like to have information from every parish concerning adult work in matters of Christian Education: What is being done now, and what literature is being used.

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### A PRAYER FOR PEACE

O God, Father of us all, we pray for power to bring the peace on earth. Amid the confusions and cruelties of today, help us to draw close to Thee in quietness so that we may understand the failings within us that create bitterness and war. Deliver us from being satisfied with ourselves, and keep us from suspicion, prejudice, and hate. Inspire the leaders of all nations, especially our President and his advisors, with a vision of thy Kingdom of brotherhood. Be with the men and women serving in the armed forces. Comfort those who are frightened, homesick, or wounded. Strengthen the doctors, nurses, and chaplains who seek to help them. We pray for our enemies in their griefs and hardships. Fill them and us with thy spirit of tenderness and love. Unite us all in looking forward to that day when we shall be changed from foes to friends, working together to serve thee and to build thy peace in all the world. We ask it in the name of him who came to bring men peace, thy Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. AMEN.

—from *St. Agnes', Franklin, N. C., and St. George's, N. Y. C.*

## TEACHER TRAINING CONFERENCES

We are happy to announce that arrangements have been made to have the Rev. Frank H. Craighill, Rector of Bruton Parish, Williamsburg, Virginia, speak at all three district meetings of our Diocesan Teacher's Training Course to be held on Sunday, April 29th, at The Church of The Ascension, Hickory, Monday, April 30th, at Trinity, Asheville, and on May 1st at St. Agnes' Church, Franklin. All meetings commence at 7:30. p.m.

The Rev. Mr. Craighill is widely recognized as an authority on Religious education. He will tell us of the curriculum, now being prepared by the National Church, the Inter-Curriculum now being so generally adopted, not only throughout our own Diocese, but throughout the Church at large, and also give us counsel and advice in the art of teaching. An opportunity to enjoy an interchange of opinions will be provided at the close of his address.

We have provided these three district meetings in order to make it possible for all church school teachers, and all who are truly interested in the religious education of our youth to be present, without finding it a hardship to attend. To properly establish Religious Education throughout the Diocese demands cooperation and we are counting upon the support and loyalty of every parish and mission.

Faithfully yours,

RICHARD J. LEE,

Chairman, Children's Commission.

## CONVOCATION OF ASHEVILLE LENTEN OFFERING PRESENTATION SERVICES

On Saturday, April 7th, Bishop Henry and the Dean of the Convocation, the Rev. Mark Jenkins, went to Cherokee for the Children's Lenten Offering Service in the western section of the Convocation.

The beautiful little Chapel of St. Francis of Assisi was packed to the doors. The Dean read the Service and Bishop Henry preached. After the

Service everyone gathered at the picnic house next to the Church for refreshments.

On Sunday afternoon, April 8th, in All Souls' Church, Biltmore, more than 350 children of the Asheville and eastern part of the Convocation gathered to present their Lenten Offering. Father Sill acted as host, since the Rector of All Souls' was away on vacation. The Rev. Robert McCloskey of Canton read the Service and the Dean of the Convocation, the Rev. Mark Jenkins, preached the sermon. All went to the Parish House for refreshments after the Service.

At this writing the total of the offering for the Convocation has not been received but it is expected to be more than \$900.00. The children are to be congratulated on their offering and their participation in these Services.

—G. M. J.

## URGES CHURCHES TO ADVERTISE IN LOCAL NEWSPAPERS

Binghamton, N. Y. — To encourage and help parish churches to make effective use of advertising in their local newspapers, Kendall R. Jones, whose business name is Church Publicity Service, Binghamton, has prepared a mat service with text and pictures, planned to bring people to Church services, revitalize present members, build prestige for the Church, and attract newcomers.

Mr. Jones is a professional advertising man, and a layman of the Episcopal Church. He is convinced that advertising in the local newspapers is one of the best media for productive Church publicity and is urging churches everywhere to use it.

## PARISH SUBSCRIBES TO LOCAL NEWSPAPER FOR ITS SERVICE MEN

Philadelphia — Calvary Episcopal Church, Germantown, is sending subscriptions to a Philadelphia daily newspaper to men from the parish who are in the Armed Forces.



## 1951 KANUGA CONFERENCES

The Kanuga Conferences, again this year, offer to youngsters and adults throughout the South the wonderful opportunity for "learning and playing" that has made Kanuga so popular among Churchmen young and old. Located on beautiful Kanuga Lake, near Hendersonville, N. C., high atop the Blue Ridge Mountains, Kanuga has drawn capacity crowds to its two week camps and conferences for all ages. The experience and ability of the Directors and Faculty members — and the delightfully cool and refreshing mountain air — has made Kanuga outstanding as an Episcopal Conference Center.

For the youngsters there are three camps — each one loaded with fun! Girls 9 and 10 years old will attend the Midget Camp, June 10 to June 23. The Girls' Camp is for girls 11 and 12 years old and meets June 24 to July 7. Boys 10 to 12 years old will assemble in the Cub Camp, July 8 to July 21.

Teen-agers are accommodated at three conferences. The Junior Conference, which convenes June 23 and closes July 6, is for boys and girls 13 and 14 years old. The Rev. Allen Clarkson of Augusta, Ga., will direct this conference. The Young People's Conference, for the 15 to 17 age group, will meet June 9 to June 22. The Director will be the Rev. Robert Crandall of Charlotte, N. C. College Conference, under the direction of the Rev. Capers Satterlee, will meet July 7 to July 20. College students and high school graduates planning to enter college in the fall are eligible.

The first conference for adults is the Retreat for Women, June 4 to June 7. These are a few quiet days spent in silence, a time of renewal and of worship; a time of deep awareness of the Presence of God.

The Adult-Clergy Conference under the direction of Bishop Thomas N. Carruthers of South Carolina, convenes July 7 to July 20. Those attending last

year's conference declared it to be a wonderful experience and can look forward to an even better meeting this year. The work of the Woman's Auxiliary will be taught in two classes, one for beginners and one for advanced workers. Mrs. Francis O. Clarkson of Charlotte, N. C., and Mrs. Edward G. Lasar of St. Louis, Mo., both members of the National Board, will each teach one week of the conferences. Other courses will be taught by Dr. George Taylor, the Rev. Alfred Loring-Clark, the Rev. Leland Henry, Director of Social Relations in the Diocese of New York, and other outstanding Churchmen.

Kanuga Camp for Boys, a recreational camp within a Christian atmosphere, will be open again this year. Mr. Freeman Self, a former Scout Executive and a man with 20 years camping experience, will have charge of this camp. He knows boys and knows camping and will have an attractive well balanced program of sports, crafts and mountain adventure. The Boys Camp will open July 29 and run until August 25. Boys may come for two weeks only, or for the full month. The age limit for this camp is 9 to 14.

From July 23 until the end of August, Kanuga will be operated as a Guest Resort, offering "the Perfect Family Vacation." Every effort is made to provide the opportunity and program for real family recreation in the atmosphere of Christian family living. Recreation includes swimming, boating, fishing, hiking, square dancing, plays, parties, and plenty of good old-fashioned fun. Accommodations include rooms in the Inn or Annex, and Cottages — ideal for family groups. All the delicious meals are served family style in the Inn.

A bulletin giving detailed information on all the Kanuga activities can be secured from Willard P. Verduin, Mgr., Kanuga Conferences, Hendersonville, North Carolina.

## LAYMEN OF WESTERN NORTH CAROLINA

The bulletin of the laymen's movement in the Diocese, "Keystone Comments," is under new management; Mr. Girard E. Haven, 325 Country Club Road, Asheville, is the new publisher-editor.

Mr. Haven reports the naming of a new secretary of the Presiding Bishop's Committee on Laymen's Work at 281 4th Avenue, N. Y. C.

The *Laymen of the Province* of Seawanee will meet for their provincial meeting at the University of the South, June 14 through June 17. It is hoped that a good delegation will attend from this Diocese. Total cost for room and board for the three day conference is only \$12.00.

The *Men's Clubs* of Trinity, Asheville, and Holy Cross, Tryon, seem to be carrying on a worthwhile and active program. On April 4, the Rev. Robert Lee Bast of Baltimore addressed the Trinity men on "Archbishop Crammer." On March 20, Dr. W. L. Pugh formerly professor of English at Wofford College, gave a lecture to the Holy Cross men on "Transportation: Mechanical, Linguistic, and Spiritual."

## NEW SECRETARY FOR LAYMENS WORK

Presiding Bishop Henry Knox Sherrill and Mr. Harvey S. Firestone, Jr., announce the appointment of the Rev. Clarence R. Haden, Jr., as Executive Director of the Presiding Bishop's Committee on Laymen's Work, succeeding the Rev. Arnold M. Lewis, now Dean of the Cathedral in Jacksonville, Florida.

Mr. Haden has been rector of St. Philip's Church, Durham, North Carolina, since 1945. During his rectorage there he built a \$125,000 parish hall, the entire cost of which is pledged and is now being paid.

Mr. Haden is 40 years old, born in

Fort Worth, Texas. He was educated in the public schools of Fort Worth and at Baylor University, Waco, Texas. He attended Union Theological Seminary, New York City, 1932-1934; Seabury-Western Theological Seminary, for his S. T. B. degree in 1936. He is married and has one daughter.

He was ordained in Evanston, Illinois, in 1936, and began his ministry at St. John's Church, Fort Worth, the same year. He served as minister in charge, St. Barnabas' Church, Denton, Texas, and St. Paul's Church, Gainsville, Texas, in 1936 and 1937, then became rector of St. John's, Corsicana, Texas, where he remained for four years. His next parish was St. Matthew's, Houma, Louisiana, for two years, then he became rector of St. Paul's, New Orleans, remaining there for two years, until he accepted the call from St. Philip's Durham.

Mr. Haden's diocesan activities included chairmanship of the Department of Missions, diocese of Dallas; executive council; examining chaplain. In the Diocese of Louisiana, he was a member of the Board of Managers, Gaudet Normal and Industrial School; chairman, Department of Christian Education; member of executive council. In the diocese of North Carolina, he was an examining chaplain, chairman of the department of Christian Education, a member of the Standing Committee, member of the Board of Trustees, St. Augustine's College, Raleigh, North Carolina, and clerical deputy to General Conventions, diocese of Dallas, 1940, and diocese of North Carolina, 1949.

He has written for various Church papers. Before entering the ministry he worked in the Purchasing and Accounting Departments of Armour & Company at Fort Worth, and in the Sales and Advertising Departments of the Pangburn Candy Company, also of Fort Worth.

Mr. Haden expects to begin his new work in New York on May 1.

## YOUTH NEWS

Peggy Jean Horton, Box 139, Hickory

### Diocesan Youth Camp

It is not too early to make plans for the biggest week of the summer, the week at Youth Camp at Patterson School in Happy Valley — the date is June 17 to June 23. The Rev. G. Mark Jenkins is director of the Camp this year; the Bishop of the Diocese will lead a stellar faculty. In your considerations, don't forget the good food at Patterson, and the fun and fellowship. More details will follow later.

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### Mighty Box—Mighty Works

The Lenten Mite Boxes have been split open — our pennies, nickels, and dimes have been counted — but is this enough? What are we doing to really help someone? What about strangers and the friendless—are we being friends to them? The Young People of Ascension, Hickory, have adopted a plan whereby each month they find and help a needy family in their community. It would be a fine project for every youth group in the Diocese. Our mite boxes may be mighty — but are they enough?

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**EDUCATIONAL BENEFITS OF THE G. I. BILL** terminate for veterans of World War II who are not enrolled in school on July 25, 1951. In expectation that a number of veterans will plan to enter summer terms this year, and because of a demand among present students for an accelerated program, the University of the South will open a summer school for young men and women on June 13. Dr. Gaston S. Bruton will serve as dean for the session which begins on June 13, two days after commencement, and continues through August 21. Summer school students will be able to attend all eight concerts of the famous Cumberland Forest Festival, called by *TIME* magazine, "the Tanglewood of the South." For catalogue write Dean of Summer School, Sewanee, Tennessee.

The Young Churchman's Club of **CALVARY CHURCH, FLETCHER**, has taken several new projects on its calendar since Uncle Sam has invited so many to be on his payroll. With eight members in the Army and Navy, one in the WAC, and that many more away at college this winter, the membership is reduced in numbers — but not in activities.

Each month groups meet in homes to make cookies and candy to send to the ones away in the armed forces. Once each month a mimeographed letter goes out to each one away from home-base, giving them the news of the Parish and the Young Churchmen. One of our boys in the Army now stationed in England has written us that he has organized a Young Churchman's Club in his outfit to which all Episcopalians belong. Others, including local English young Churchmen, are invited to all meetings. They report increased interest with each meeting.

On April 15th we, with young people throughout the Church, met at our home Altar for our Corporate Communion, after which we met in the Parish House for breakfast and election of officers for the coming year.

We sponsored a study class on Church History each Sunday Evening during Lent. The whole congregation of Calvary Parish was invited to these classes conducted by the Rector. They proved so interesting and helpful that they will be continued the second Sunday Evening of each month.

—G. M. J.

### TOO MANY FOUR-WHEELERS IN BRITISH CHURCH

Whaplode, England — There are too many four-wheelers in the Church of England today, the Rev. W. T. Armstrong, vicar of the parish here, declared in an interview. "They come in a pram to be christened, in a taxi to be married, and in a hearse to be buried," adding that he imagined the same situation prevailed in other churches around the world.



## WOMANS AUXILIARY

Lanthe Rush Campbell

### WORSHIP:

#### A PRAYER

By St. Francis of Assisi

"Lord make me an instrument of Thy Peace!

Where there is hatred . . . let me sow love

Where there is injury . . . pardon

Where there is doubt . . . faith

Where there is despair . . . hope

Where there is sadness . . . joy!

O Divine Master, grant that I may not so much seek

To be consoled . . . as to console

To be understood . . . as to understand

To be loved . . . as to love, for

It is in giving, . . . that we receive.

It is in pardoning . . . that we are pardoned

It is in dying . . . that we are born to eternal life."

### WOMEN AT KANUGA

THE ANNUAL MEETING of the WOMAN'S AUXILIARY will be held at Kanuga on June 7, 8. Plan to attend. It will be a real pleasure to meet the Verduins' and to pledge them our continued support in making Kanuga the outstanding conference center in the South. THE RETREAT FOR WOMEN will be held from June 4 to June 7. The Rev. Ray Holder, Christ Church, Raleigh, will conduct the retreat this year.

### DISTRICT MEETINGS

District meetings were held from April 17 through April 27 at Tryon, Waynesville, Asheville, Lenoir, and Fletcher for the several districts. The offerings will be given to Kanuga for the repair and furnishing of a cottage there.

### CHRISTIAN SOCIAL RELATIONS

Does your Auxiliary think of Christian Social Relations as welfare work? Miss Stabler reports that some Churches do, but, more and more of our Churches are thinking in terms of social action. Here are a few fields and areas of social action in which we can participate: (1) May 4th—May Fel-

lowship Day, sponsored by the Dep't. of Church Women of the National Council. This is a splendid way for Church Women from all denominations to get together, think together, and give towards some common cause together. (2) Gifts to missionaries. (3) The Problem of food for India. (4) The Study of the Covenant on Human Rights of the U. N.

### United Thank Offering:

December 31, 1947-----\$657,910.33

December 31, 1950-----\$802,540.93

### YOUTH WORK

Does your Auxiliary keep in touch with your young people? Our youth are our most valuable asset. Here are a few suggestions:

1. Study the needs of the youth in your church.

2. Make them feel a part of your church's life.

3. Give scholarships to Diocesan Camp and Kanuga.

### HERE AND THERE WITH THE BRANCHES:

TRINITY, ASHEVILLE: The Auxiliary gave \$50 to the Orthopedic Hospital towards the purchase of a wheel chair. Mr. Willard Verduin, Mgr., spoke to the April meeting concerning Kanuga. The Women of St. Angela's group donned overalls and painted a Church School room. St. Helena's group is selling tickets to the N. C. Symphony Concert Series.

ST JAMES, HENDERSONVILLE, Auxiliary reported an excellent U.T.O. The Bishop addressed the March meeting.

ASCENSION, HICKORY, Auxiliary arranged a meeting at which Miss Venitia Cox, St. Hilda's School, Wuchan, China, spoke to the entire parish (men included). Miss Cox has been "loaned" to the Student Volunteer Movement by the National Council.

## MEDIEVAL MYSTERY PLAYS STAGED

The Womans Auxiliary of St. Mary's Church, Asheville, sponsored a notable presentation of three medieval mystery plays at the parish Church in Easter Week. St. Mary's is to be commended for presenting such authentic drama in the fashion and manner in which it was done, and, originally intended. The three plays were titled, "Betrayal of Christ," "Resurrection of Christ," and "The Journey to Emmaus."

The Betrayal of Christ is one of forty-two "N. Towne Plays" first published in folio form in 1468. Robert Schenkkan of the University of North Carolina put into modern English—specially for St. Mary's—the archaic dialect in which this play was written.

The Resurrection of Christ is from the Wakefield Cycle, sometimes called the Towneley Mysteries. (Kai Jurgenson and Robert Schenkkan made the modern version of the play). The complete series includes thirty plays, from THE CREATION to THE JUDGMENT. This English Cycle, probably 14th Century, contains some of the finest early religious dramas. THE RESURRECTION OF CHRIST is strong in rising dramatic action and in the skilled use of humor to relieve tension. To such plays Shakespeare, who must have seen them as a child, probably owed his great comic scenes.

The Journey to Emmaus was being performed in Europe as early as the 1100's. Though it was performed in England too, we have no English texts. Francis Bliss made this translation, from a Latin text found at the Abbey St. Benoît-sur-Loire.

The players and choristers in the drama were recruited from St. Mary's parish and friends. Costumes were specially designed by Robert Patterson. Staging was done by laymen in the Parish. James Dendy, Organist and Choir-master at Grace Church, Hinsdale, Illinois, and staff member of the leading organ magazine THE DIAPASON,

composed the music for the production and was present for the production, coming from Illinois for the occasion. The music — modern in concept but preserving medieval style — was based upon two early plainsong tunes.

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## MYSTERY PLAYS

If the medieval man was less likely than the modern one to have a Bible in his home, he was perhaps no less familiar with its message. For carvings of Scriptural events and people made his parish church or city cathedral a Bible in stone, while glowing glass filled its windows with colored illustrations. Then to make instruction still more vivid, the Church developed plays based on the Scriptures. In later medieval times, craftsmen of the guilds produced these dramas. Hence came the name of Mystery Plays—the Old French word for a craft was *misterie* (from Latin *ministerium*, an occupation).

The unknown playwrights wrote with great zest for pace, action and character. Their direct and simple work charms us as more sophisticated drama sometimes fails to do. Practical earthy touches in the midst of reverence combine the comic with the devotional.

The players themselves must have enhanced this delightful double effect. Not professional actors but "horny-handed men of toil" like those giving the play in *A MIDSUMMER NIGHT'S DREAM*, they still threw themselves into their parts — undoubtedly with many suggestions for new lines and "business." Typically the medieval man felt it an honor to take part in these dramas, played in the very chancel, and his acting counted as a religious service. Yet apparently not all players were conscientious, for many had to sign papers pledging, on pain of death or forfeiture, to know their lines and get to rehearsals on time.

—*St. Mary's Church, Asheville.*

## AROUND THE DIOCESE . . .

On his Easter Sunday visit to ST. GEORGE'S CHURCH, W. Asheville, the Bishop confirmed eight candidates presented by Mr. Hickey, at the same service, the Bishop blessed two altar candlesticks.

The Rev. GEORGE FLOYD ROGERS, rector of Trinity, Asheville, for over twenty years, passed on to rest on April 9. The offices of the Church were said at Petersburg, Virginia; Trinity Church had a memorial service at the same hour. Parson Rogers was a prominent figure not only in affairs of the community of Asheville, but gave leadership of outstanding vigor to the Diocese.

The Rev. JAMES P. BURKE, is currently on a trip through the Holy Land. St. James' Church is making every effort to make the 29th annual convention a success; Mrs. R. L. Haden is chairman of the arrangements committee. On Easter I, a film on "The Cherokee's" was shown at St. James'; Mr. Robroy Farqhar, Lake Summit Theatre, read the accompanying script.

The historical drama at CHEROKEE this summer will give all Churchman an opportunity to make a pilgrimage to the Church of St. Francis of Assisi at the same time. Plan to do so.

TIME Magazine carried an interesting article in the March 26 issue concerning the relationship of our Communion with the whole of Christendom in America. The reaction in the Diocese and out was mixed; at any rate, it gives us chance to see ourselves as others see us. The biographical material on Bishop Sherrill has permanent value.

The Rev. A. RUFUS MORGAN recently attended regional meetings of the Southern Conference of Mountain Workers, at Gatlinburg; and, the regional meeting of the National Council of Churches of Christ in America at Atlanta. Mr. Morgan is vice-president of the former agency.

## AUXILIARY PROGRAM PLANNED

Women of the Episcopal Church are being asked by the Woman's Auxiliary, to write meeting programs on a number of topics of current interest and concern in the Church. The general idea of enlisting non-professional help is termed "The Stewardship of Talent," and the thought is conveyed that "The plan makes it possible for every woman to offer the kind of program she has always wished she could find being used in her group. It means that women with a gift for creative writing may contribute that talent to the work of the Church. It means that programs submitted will be indicative of the kind desired. It means hidden ability; writers, now unknown, may be discovered."

Manuscripts must be received before July 1. They will be read by members of the Episcopal Church's National Council, and the final judges will be members of the National Executive Board of the Woman's Auxiliary.

Full information may be obtained from Miss Avil E. Harvey, 281 Fourth Avenue, New York 10, New York.

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TRINITY, HAW CREEK, has been given a stained glass window by W. B. Bartlett, placed for the glory of God in memory of his wife, the late Mrs. Lillian S. Bartlett. The window has been placed as an altar window. Mrs. Bartlett was a devout and loyal Churchwoman. She was a graduate of Christ School when it was yet a coeducational institution. During her girlhood, Mrs. Bartlett was a communicant of Calvary Church, Fletcher, walking two miles and back every Sunday for the 8 A.M. service. The window will be blessed on Mothers Day by the Bishop of the Diocese.

The Annual Spring MISSION AT PATTERSON SCHOOL was held the week of April 1; the editor was the preacher. Three boys were Baptised during the week, and, the Bishop confirmed eight boys on Easter II.





*The Children's Choir, Church of the Messiah.*

ST. MARY'S CHURCH, Asheville, has organized a Parent-Teachers Association for their Church School. At this writing, and to our knowledge, this is another "first" for St. Mary's. Incidentally, the plan follows the approach of the new curriculum approved for Nursery, Kindergarten, and Primary groups. St. Mary's is planning extensive repairs to the Rectory on Charlotte Street.

CHURCH OF THE MESSIAH, Murphy, has organized a Children's Choir which has added measureably to the services of that Church. The Auxiliary, Church School, and women of the Church purchased materials and made vestments; Mrs. Myron Jensen has been appointed choir mother and has trained the group. Mr. William Bolton is in charge of the Church of the Messiah.

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## BISHOP GORDON WRITES FROM ALASKA

At least fifteen Indian and Eskimo villages in Alaska have a population made up almost entirely of Episcopal Church people according to a statement by Bishop William J. Gordon, and not one of these places has a resident Church worker, man or woman. They are visited by the nearest priest perhaps two or three times a year. Fly-by-night sects pass through these areas with some regularity; their influence and that of paganism and indifference take their toll, decreasing the number of Church people each year, as wolves would do around any unshepherded flock. "The people love the Episcopal Church," the Bishop wrote, "but they have precious little opportunity of expressing their love through worship or in learning more about God's way for them.

"During 1950 two small churches were built in isolated native villages, Tetlin and Holigachaket, where we have never before had a church building even though all the inhabitants belong to the Episcopal Church. I held the first regular service in St. Andrew's Chapel, Tetlin, with the outside temperature at fifty-eight below zero, so we fully tested the heating system. Another new chapel has been started at Stevens Village on the Yukon, to be completed this year.

"We have one new congregation, the fishing town of Petersburg on the south-eastern coast. I confirmed the first candidates, to my knowledge, ever confirmed in that town. Our priest at Wrangell visits Petersburg regularly, at the request of the residents there. We have a congregation of almost fifty persons, who are enthusiastic in their devotion."

Anchorage is a city of about 25,000 people plus a reasonable estimate of 20,000 troops near by, and more to come as soon as they can be housed. For Alaska this is an enormous com-

munity, and for any area it is a large problem for a parish.

"Our present little church was erected when Anchorage was a village with fewer than 2,000," the Bishop reported. The Church seats about eighty persons, and has no facilities for a Church school. The government is putting into new construction in Alaska in 1951 more than two hundred million dollars. The parish is struggling to raise money for a new church but as yet has less than a fourth of the \$125,000 needed for land, church, parish hall and rectory.

"I visited each mission in Alaska at least once, last year, and most of the outstations," the Bishop said. "In visiting them I have flown my plane about 15,000 miles. Without this wonderful convenience it would simply be impossible to visit each mission during the twelve months of a year."

It is an old story with the missionary district of Alaska, continued during the past year, that the Church people more than paid their quota for the general work of the Church, and contributed to the Bishop's salary, the Good Friday Offering, and the Church Building Fund, while several congregations made offerings for theological education. The small congregations of white people pay a little more each year toward the support of their missions, with the ultimate aim of self-support at the earliest possible moment.

"We see our great needs," the Bishop concludes, "and sometimes it is easy for us to be discouraged when we are not given the men and funds to meet the needs that face us. Yet we want the National Council to know that we do realize the problems and difficult decisions to be faced in the over-all administration of the work. We know that all fields are limited and handicapped by lack of funds and men, that every effort is made to meet the greatest needs with the resources available, and that if we are neglected it is because the resources are not there."

## RECTOR HAS PRAYERS FOR LOCAL INDUSTRIES AT WEEKLY SERVICES

Springfield, Mass. — St. Luke's Episcopal Church, East Springfield, has announced that it will pray at regular Sunday services for local gas stations, drug stores, manufacturing plants, and other business establishments by name.

The rector, the Rev. Ellwyn J. H. Nichols, will pray:

"Almighty God, Who hast given us this community for our heritage, we humbly beseech Thee that we may always prove ourselves a people mindful of Thy favor and glad to do Thy will.

"Bless especially (for example) the Corona Market, Loyal Masters Cleaners and Dyers, and Carew Gardens' Service Station.

"Save them and us from violence, discord and confusion. Bless our community with good schools, honorable industry, sound civic life, and upright Christian citizens."

A different group of business places will be mentioned each Sunday. Mr. Nichols said that the weekly prayer will serve to demonstrate and personalize the Church's interest in community commercial and industrial activities and their personnel. He also expressed the hope that it would make local residents "stop and think of Church and God."

## NEW NAM PRESIDENT IS PROMINENT EPISCOPALIAN

Durham, N. C.—William H. Ruffin, president of the Erwin Mills here, is the new president of the National Association of Manufacturers. He is senior warden of St. Philip's Episcopal Church here, and has been active in Church affairs for many years. He has been superintendent of a Sunday school, president of the Laymen's League, and has served on the executive council of the Diocese of North Carolina and as chairman of the diocesan department of finance. He has served also on the board of trustees of St. Mary's School and Junior College, Raleigh.

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## EARLY DAYS OF ST. JAMES' HENDERSONVILLE

### CHAPTERS IN DIOCESAN HISTORY

The Rev. J. B. Sill, Historiographer

The beginning of a congregation, which later was to become organized as St. James Parish, followed by a few years the opening of a stage-coach route in 1840 to Hendersonville from Greenville, S. C., and preceded by a few years the forming of a city government in 1847. This beginning as early as 1843 was due to the visits for the purpose of Church Services on the part of the Rector John G. Drayton of St. John's Church in the Wilderness at Flat Rock. Bishop Ives was bishop of North Carolina at the time. Well-known families from South Carolina had learned the advantage of coming to the mountains for summer vacation purposes. St. John's Church, Flat Rock, having been organized by then, and later some of them settling several miles further, also for summer periods, and forming Calvary Parish at what now is Fletcher.

The founders of St. James' Hendersonville, were persons having a more permanent residence than those to whom I have referred. Bishop Atkinson of North Carolina visited the Episcopal congregation in Hendersonville in 1854, having succeeded Bishop Ives the previous year. Calvary Church, to which I have referred, was consecrated in 1859. St. James Church was built in 1860, though not sufficiently completed until 1863, when it was consecrated Sept. 19th, being thus, as with The Redeemer, Shelby, a Church of the Confederacy. It is still standing. Rev. N. Collin Hughes became its first Rector in 1861, continuing until 1866. His son, Dr. N. Collin Hughes, who died in 1948, and his daughters have made their home in Hendersonville of recent years. The father was from Pennsylvania, educated and entered the ministry in the North, soon settling at New Bern, N. C., later in charge of the Church at Pittsboro before coming to Hendersonville.

There were eight communicants of St. James in 1863, and of early families

we find the names of Andrew Miller, W. D. Miller, W. E. Massie and William Shipp, W. D. Miller, though on the vestry, being a Presbyterian. "Mrs. William Shipp, who was formerly a Miss Cameron, and a sister of the wife of Rev. Jarvis Buxton of Asheville, was probably the strongest influence in establishing the Church in this parish"; from Mrs. Sadie S. Patton's historical sketch of St. James Church.

We are indebted also to Mrs. Patton for a picture of Hendersonville about the years 1850-60 in "County History," as also to Rev. N. Collin Hughes for his reminiscences of Hendersonville as a boy, while his father was Rector. Mrs. Patton writes: "Cows, horses and other livestock were in the streets. Walkways of boards were constructed at street crossings, stepping stones in some places. Aspen trees lined both sides of Main Street, while another row was in the center lane. Oil lamps were used on the streets and mules were used on the first street railroad." The population in 1880 is recorded as 554.

Rev. George M. Everhart was in charge of the Church for a short time after the Civil War, which left its period of hard and disturbed years, so that for thirty years little progress was made in the life of the parish.

When Rev. E. A. Osborne of Calvary Church, Fletcher, visited it in 1877 from his home in Fletcher, he found one communicant, "a Mrs. Chipley, and also the family of Henry Tudor Farmer of Flat Rock, who were interested in occasional services." Before Mr. Osborne's time, Mr. Drayton, still at St. John's, Flat Rock, gave occasional services. So these two faithful priests from the two stronger parishes kept the life of the weaker parish alive. Bishop Lyman of the diocese (that is North Carolina diocese) visited St. James during Mr. Osborne's time (who served the parish until 1884), confirming Mrs. Rachel Rebecca Lane and Mrs. Ellen Patton Hyman. "Thru the efforts and sacrifices of these two devoted women it was made possible to erect the pres-

ent tower of the Church and to purchase a bell."

The value of the Church is given as \$5000.00. The rectory, built many years later than the Church, was valued at \$3000.00. It was a house moved from across the street and it stood near the Church, rooms being added to it. It was removed when the present rectory was built. *(To be continued next month.)*

### MORE NEEDED

A young member of St. Stephen's Parish, Cincinnati, is with the Armed Forces in Korea. Recently he sent a check for his pledge, plus amounts for Easter and Christmas offerings. He wrote: "The closer I get to the fighting the more I realize that this, and any war, is just a delaying action, a fight for time, until Christianity wins the real fight in the hearts of men. That's the only fight that will ever end in peace on earth. . . . The only way I can see that this battle can be won is by each person giving of his time and ability and money to help in the fight. So since I can't be there to help, I'll send what I can."

### MR. CHURCHMAN GOES TO WASHINGTON

Members of the Methodist Church are the most numerous in the United States Senate, with Presbyterians and Episcopalians tied for second place. Non-Roman senators include 19 Methodists, 14 Presbyterians, 14 Episcopalians, 10 Baptists, 8 Congregationalists, 6 Disciples of Christ, 5 Lutherans, 3 Mormons, 3 Scientists, and 1 Unitarian.

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For the second time, a PASTORAL LETTER of the House of Bishops has been printed in the CONGRESSIONAL RECORD. The first was the Pastoral of 1949, introduced by Episcopal Church member the Hon. Hamilton C. Jones, Representative from Alabama. The latest one was the Pastoral of 1951, presented by the Hon. Howard W. Smith, Episcopal Churchman and Representative from Virginia. Mr. Smith said, in introducing the Pastoral: "The communication is entirely non-sectarian and contains so much sound philosophy that it should be read by every American family.

## SAME SONG — SECOND VERSE!!

The semi-annual report from the Treasurer of the Diocese gives evidence to the fact that some repetition is needed as to the basic facts of life (fiscal) as far as the diocesan finances are concerned. The report, printed on another page, indicates at the ½ mark in the fiscal year that income is not keeping up with outgo. Expenditures and printed figures seem impersonal — quite to the contrary, they are not so. For these figures indicate missionary salaries, help to needy missions, salaries of diocesan employees, and the like. (You know them well.) Please remember that Assessments and Quotas have been accepted by you before the year started — the assessments and quotas do not indicate what would be nice for you to give — it indicates what you have obligated yourself for.

However, with these pointed words, we are conscious and thankful that the ½ year figures for 1951 indicate that more and more churches are realizing the importance of REGULAR AND ON TIME payments to the diocesan Treasurer. We're growing in grace: We need more improvement.

Do not let the concerns of the next few months for the 1952 Budget keep from your remembrance the needs of this year of our Lord, 1951. . . .

*(The figures in the Treasurer's report are subject to minor corrections).*

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In its awards of honorary degrees this year, the UNIVERSITY OF THE SOUTH honored three men who are or have been at some time, members of the National Council. They are, Mr. Thomas B. K. Ringe, Doctor of Civil Law; the Rt. Rev. Gerald Francis Burrill, Suffragan Bishop of Dallas; and the Rev. John Heuss, Director of the Department of Christian Education, and former member of the Council.



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72.00	—	Asheville, St. Matthias' .....	100.00	10.00
1,620.00	810.00	Asheville, Trinity .....	4,200	2,506.28
1,188.00	495.00	Biltmore, All Souls' .....	3,090.00	1,357.61
228.00	57.00	Brevard, St. Phillip's .....	595.00	185.90
120.00	—	Flat Rock, St. John's .....	300.00	—
432.00	216.00	Fletcher, Calvary .....	1,110.00	1,009.53
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240.00	—	Marion, St. John's .....	625.00	63.94
624.00	624.00	Morganton, Grace .....	1,615.00	499.65
468.00	117.00	Rutherfordton, St. Francis' .....	1,220.00	332.94
852.00	426.00	Tryon, Holy Cross .....	2,215.00	1,107.52
228.00	114.00	Waynesville, Grace .....	600.00	258.00
96.00	48.00	Wilkesboro, St. Paul's .....	255.00	127.50
8,256.00	3,767.00	..... Total .....	21,420.00	\$ 9,337.30
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144.00	36.00	Asheville, Redeemer (Craggy) .....	385.00	98.77
48.00	36.00	Asheville, St. Luke's (Chunn's Cove) .....	120.00	90.00
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12.00	—	Cherokee, St. Francis of Assisi .....	25.00	7.84
24.00	—	Edneyville, St. Paul's .....	75.00	46.71
108.00	12.50	Franklin, St. Agnes .....	275.00	24.96
12.00	6.00	Franklin, St. Cyprian's .....	25.00	28.35
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12.00	12.00	Legerwood, Chapel of Rest .....	25.00	20.00
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12.00	—	Linville, All Saints' .....	25.00	—
24.00	—	Little Switzerland, Resurrection .....	—	—
12.00	—	Morganton, St. Mary's (Qkr. Mds.) .....	30.00	41.57
12.00	12.00	Morganton, St. Stephen's .....	25.00	13.00
72.00	35.00	Murphy, Messiah .....	125.00	102.50
12.00	—	Murphy, St. Barnabas' .....	25.00	1.71
18.00	18.00	Penland, Good Shepherd .....	25.00	97.73
36.00	—	Rutherfordton, St. Gabriel's .....	80.00	—
24.00	—	Saluda, Transfiguration .....	65.00	—
132.00	80.00	Shelby, Redeemer .....	340.00	2,180.50
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24.00	—	Sylva, St. John's .....	60.00	8.95
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84.00	42.00	Valle Crucis, Holy Cross .....	210.00	117.38
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\$1,662.00	\$ 596.00		4,085.00	1,766.61
\$9,918.00	\$4,323.00	GRAND TOTAL .....	\$25,505.00	\$11,103.91



## CRUSADE FOR OUR TIME

Over the centuries the Christian church has faced many temporal enemies, and each time it has been triumphant over them. Today it is opposed by the most powerful and ruthless of the lot, the atheistic Communism of Soviet Russia and her allies, which openly admits that it wants to wipe out belief in God just as it seeks to murder freedom, morality and the dignity of the individual.

However, there are ways in which the free world can fight back. One of those ways is through the Crusade for Freedom, which is now enlisting the aid of all Americans in opposition to Communism. For it is through the Crusade for Freedom that millions of citizens are able to support the amazingly effective work of the anti-Communist broadcasts of Radio Free Europe.

Radio Free Europe went into operation in July of last year. It was a new venture, with the new idea that there is a place for a non-governmental propaganda organization that can hit hard and speak frankly. Its backers were sure that millions of people in the Russian satellite countries would become our friends if only we could encourage them in their hope of eventual liberation.

The idea has proven successful beyond all hopes of a year ago. Two stations in Germany are now broadcasting through the Iron Curtain. One, near Frankfurt, speaks in turn to Hungary, Bulgaria, Poland, Rumania and Albania. The other, at Munich, is beamed at Czechoslovakia. Radio Free Europe knows that its broadcasts are reaching their audiences, for it has received letters of deep appreciation smuggled from the common peoples of the captive countries, and it has also been the target of hysterical name-calling by the Communist overlords.

Its method has been to constantly tell the truth about the shabby, brutal betrayals and tyrannies of the Kremlin and its agents. It warns against secret

Communist agents, even to the extent of informing the people of a specific village that a certain resident is betraying his neighbors to the state police. It reveals events that the regime tries hard to hide, such as instances of sabotage or defections from the party. It tells of endless instances of moral bankruptcy among party bigwigs, including murder, blackmail, drunkenness and lechery. Nothing is said that can't be proven.

Radio Free Europe is supported by the American people, operating through the Crusade for Freedom. The Crusade provides the moral support and finds the money needed to keep Radio Free Europe operating. Last year 16-million people joined the Crusade. The goal for the drive this September is 25-million members and 3½-million dollars.

The Crusade for Freedom is a campaign that every Christian can join with a good conscience. None of the things we cherish is so much threatened by Communism as is the belief in Jesus Christ. Communism has never made any bones about its opposition to the church, and its methods are made clear by Radio Free Europe's reports from behind the Iron Curtain. These reports tell of pastors tortured, imprisoned and murdered; of Communist stooges being placed in pulpits where they preach about the glory of Stalin; of churches being closed or turned into barracks and party headquarters.

Churches have long prided themselves on being community leaders. This is one cause that the churches can support wholeheartedly, because it is a Crusade against the common enemy of both humanity and Christ.

Laymen are active in the program of the Church in the HAWAIIAN ISLANDS. Besides the conduct of the Every Member Canvass for all parishes and missions, they are keeping up diocesan property, gathering a library of Church music, and maintaining a blood bank which is of great help when some of the Church people are faced with the expense of transfusions.

## RATED WOMAN-POWER

One of the highlights of the Annual Diocesan Convention of 1951 was the splendid report of the Woman's Auxiliary in the Diocese, so ably presented by the Diocesan President. The yearbook, with reports of a year's work, recently published, adds lustre to the great honors which the women of the Church have earned. There is not a man in the Church, of the Laity or of the Clergy, who would not admit that a great share of the Church's work is carried on by the women.

For the past few years there has been a great emphasis upon laymans work in the Church. The National Councils program for men has revitalized and re-activated the male section of the Church's population into the position of becoming a real Man's Auxiliary to the total work of the Church. So much has been said and done about the laymans program, that we think it fitting to remind the Church that there still is a Womans Auxiliary (as if we didn't know!) We suggest that you all read the Auxiliary Yearbook for 1951-1952 from cover to cover, as we did. You'll discover that the Church's program is motivated by woman-power.

Our review of the Yearbook statistics however, brought to us somewhat of a wistful thought. If so much has been done by the local branches of the Auxiliary, how much more could be done *IF MORE OF THE WOMEN OF THE CHURCH WERE ACTIVE IN THE WOMAN'S AUXILIARY?* Of the forty-four local church branches listed in the directory, only sixteen of them included in their membership all (or more) of the women in their church. In other words, in over 63% of the churches listed in the Directory, the rated woman-power *was less* than the number of women in those particular parishes or missions. 16% of the local church branches have 100% membership of women in their church. 18%, bless them, have more women listed in their Auxiliary than there are women in the Church — what missionaries they must

be. Again, our wistful thought: if the Auxiliary is doing the magnificent job it is with only a partial utilization of woman-power, imagine the reports when the latent power is utilized.

While we are editorializing about the general statistics, looking at the Directory facts church-by-church, the mission churches are doing a much better job of utilizing the woman-power of their church than are the parishes. We mentioned some of the branches as having more women enrolled in the Auxiliary than there were women in the church — these were all in mission churches. Of course in the mission churches the need of 100% utilization of all power is necessary — one might conclude (with reservations) that when a church gets to a certain size other factors make it unnecessary for everyone to be active!

Whatever our conclusions might be, and we suspect that some may not agree with us, we can thank God that his Spirit is at work through the Woman's Auxiliary of our Church. We have a Rated Woman-Power in the Church. Power-ratings are interesting statistics. But engineering and machine ratings cannot be applied to our work for more obvious reasons than that we are talking about souls, not machines. A machine has a statistical power rating on paper, the actual power rating of a machine, however is much less, due to friction, poor engineering, heat loss, etc. A soul at work in the Church has a no statistical or calculated limited power-rating — there is no limit to what can be done, *unless the sky's the limit!* When we refer to *RATED* woman-power, or rated man-power, in the Church, let us not think of limitations — there are no top-restrictions in what we can do. A churchman or churchwoman can be rated only to go farther and higher than anyone dreams . . .

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Television producer MAL BOYD has dissolved his partnership with Mary Pickford and Buddy Rogers, to study for Episcopal Orders.

## **GROUND BROKEN FOR ST. GEORGE'S CHURCH**

### **NEW ASHEVILLE MISSION BEGINS BUILDING PROGRAM**

On the afternoon of July 7, a fine summer day in itself, the Bishop of the Diocese, in the name of the Holy Trinity, turned over the first spadeful of earth in the excavation for St. George's Church, School Rd. and Mimosa Road, West Asheville. He was ably assisted by Vicar of St. George's, Howard McK. Hickey, and, the Warden, Mr. Robert Nehikian. The simple ceremony was an impressive one for the congregation and many friends of the congregation who were on hand for the occasion. The Bishop was fortunate in striking into the earth where no underground roots would hinder the progress; Messrs. Hickey and Nahikian did strike roots, however both managed to turn over a spadeful of good earth. The humor of that moment in no wise deterred from the solemnity of the occasion. The Bishop offered prayers for the new congregation and the speedy completion of the project; prayers were offered over the labors of the workers and craftsmen. The festival nature of the ceremony had the overtones of serious intent and great potential. The good people of the congregation served refreshments to all the people attending the ceremony.

Actual work was begun on the first unit of St. George's the following Tuesday with a bulldozer making easy work of necessary excavation. During the following week the men of St. George's dug and poured the footings for the foundation. The building will be a dual-purpose type, used in the immediate future for both worship and other church functions. It will be masonry construction with brick facing. The lot on which the Church will be located is strategically located on the main artery into the Malvern Hills section. It is bounded by a lot owned by the City of Asheville and to be developed into a park. The Church has right-of-way through this park property.

## **CONRAD LEWIS KIMBROUGH ORDAINED DEACON**

On Saturday, July 7, Conrad L. Kimbrough was ordained deacon by the Bishop of the Diocese at St. Mary's Church, Asheville. Upon his ordination, the Bishop named him minister in charge of St. Andrew's Church, Bessemer City, and, St. John's Church, High Shoals. He will work under the direction of the Rev. Boyd Howarth, Rector of St. Mark's Church, Gastonia.

Mr. Kimbrough was born and reared in Salisbury, North Carolina, and attended public schools there. His undergraduate work was begun at Brevard College, Brevard, N. C., and continued at Berea College, Kentucky, where he received his bachelors degree in arts. He was enrolled as a postulant in this Diocese under the Rt. Rev. Robert Gribbon. He matriculated at Nashotah House Divinity School, Nashotah, Wisconsin, and received his baccalaureate in divinity there this Spring.

The Rev. David Peebles delivered the ordination sermon and charge to the candidate at the ordination rites. Also assisting in the service, besides the Rector of St. Mary's, Fr. Webbe, was the Rev. Harry Perry, the Rev. W. M. Moore, Jr.

The entire congregation, after the service, enjoined to the social room in the crypt, where refreshments were served by the Auxiliary of St. Mary's Church.

Mr. Kimbrough was the third in the trio of new clergy assuming work in the Diocese this summer.

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THE WORLD-WIDE ANGLICAN CONGRESS scheduled for August, 1953, in Minneapolis has been postponed to August, 1954. The reason for the postponement is that the date of the second assembly of the World Council of Churches has been changed from 1953 to 1954. It is expected that many of the Anglican Congress delegates will also attend the World Council's Assembly which will be held at Northwestern University, Evanston, Illinois.



## **NEW CHAPEL AT PATTERSON**

### **THE SARAH JOYCE LENOIR MEMORIAL CHAPEL**

The Patterson School was founded in a beautiful colonial home which served the Patterson family for generations. As the school developed, buildings were erected for dormitories, housing of the faculty, classrooms, dining room, and chapel. A lovely library was built in the middle of the campus which made it the center of attraction and one of the most useful buildings. The library was given by Miss Sarah Lenoir and has been known as the Sarah Joyce Lenoir Library for a quarter of a century.

The school chapel in Gard Hall was adequate at the time of its construction but as the school grew it became entirely too small to serve the purpose for which it was designed. Since it is a room in Gard Hall, there was no possibility of expansion. It was therefore necessary to make plans for a new chapel which was to be built behind our present library. Recently, members of the Lenoir family, friends of the school, and school directors have felt that the present library building itself would serve a more useful purpose as a chapel. Their hearty approval of the plan to convert the building into the Sarah Joyce Lenoir Memorial Chapel is more than appreciated. I am sure it will be a true memorial to those to whom the chapel and furnishings are dedicated — one in which many young lives will be inspired and enriched.

In former years we have published articles, asking for gifts for the Chapel building fund as memorials to members of the alumni who sacrificed their lives during the war, and to friends and loved ones who have entered into a fuller life with God. To date we have received a perfectly beautiful stained glass window, picturing the child Samuel at prayer, to be placed over the altar; the cost of a lovely organ; and \$1432 to be used toward construction. One of the best Church architects in the South has offered his services to design the Chapel and furnishings. When

the plans are completed, we shall list definite pieces of furniture which you might give as memorials. A chancel and vesting rooms will have to be added to the building and will be started this year. We shall gladly receive and greatly appreciate any donations toward their erection. If you send the contribution as a memorial, it will be recorded in the Book of Remembrance along with those received in the past.

You may be wondering what will become of the library when the building which now houses it is used as a chapel. Though the present chapel in Gard Hall is quite inadequate for that purpose, it can be made into a suitable and attractive library with a few changes. A friend from Charlotte, North Carolina, has contributed the full amount of \$1,000 to develop the new library as a memorial to her mother. This will be done this summer and the books and furniture will be in place for the opening of school on September 4.

As time passes I hope that you visit us in order to enjoy the development of a finer and more useful Patterson School. Thank you. God's choicest blessings upon you!

—George F. Wiese.

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### **Southwest Mission Field**

During the summer months, services will be held at 4:30 Sunday afternoons at St. Johns, Cartoogechaye. Four seminary students from the Valle Crucis Rural Training Institute have been assigned for work in the field of Mr. Morgan's missions. They will, among other things, conduct daily vacation Bible Schools in Murphy, Cherokee, Sylva, and Macon County.

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### **St. James', Hendersonville**

The Rev. James P. Burke is convalescing from an illness and is reported much improved. Upon his return from the trip to the Holy Land, he resumed his duties at St. James' for two weeks before the indisposition kept him from active duty.

### **All Souls', Biltmore**

The Women's Guild has at work a Committee of Twelve who are exploring means and methods of including more of the All Souls' women in their work (see editorial Rated Woman-Power). It is hoped that the work of this committee will definitely broaden the program of the guild during the coming year. Clemens Sandresky, director of music at All Soul's, is a staff-member at Transylvania Music Camp near Brevard.

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### **St. Agnes', Franklin**

The Bishop of the Diocese was preacher of the week at a town-wide preaching mission and "revival" sponsored by the churches of Franklin from July 15-22. A permanent tabernacle for such purposes is the joint property of Franklin churches — each year's revival being planned by one of the churches. Splendid attendance and fine reception were given to the Bishop's addresses, and, to quote a Baptist clergyman from that area, "this year's revival was the best yet." Earlier in the summer, Mr. Rufus Morgan, priest in charge, preached the sermon to the diaconate at the ordination of his nephew, John MacReadie Barr, at Raleigh.

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THE ST. PAUL FESTIVAL being celebrated in Greece this year, had an official representative of the Episcopal Church, the Rt. Rev. Lauriston Scaife, Bishop of Western New York, appointed representative by the Presiding Bishop.

There was a youth delegation under sponsorship of the World Council of Churches' Youth Department. Of the 100 young people, two were members of the Episcopal Church, of the three who went from the United States. They were Rhoda Margaret Treherne-Thomas, recent graduate of Teachers' College of Columbia University, and Rosamund Thomas Bennett of Boston, who has been working in Europe with the Refugee Division of the World Council.

### **Grace Church, Morganton**

The Rector of Grace, and his associate, held a four-day parish CAMP FOR BOYS for the boys under 11 years of age in the parish. The camp was held at Patterson School in July. During the summer months the regular Sunday service has been moved forward one hour and attendance to include all children and youth above 4th grade, as well as adults. This plan offers a relief from the oppressive late-morning heat, and allows the parish families to "get away from town" at an earlier date on Sunday for recreational purposes.

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Mrs. Beck, who was president last year of the Woman's Guild at the Mission of the Holy Spirit, Orleans, California, has four sons serving in the United States Navy. These members of one of the Church's Indian Missions, are all of Indian blood.

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Urging that Church people pray earnestly and constantly for peace, THE RT. REV. EDWARD L. PARSONS, retired bishop of California, says that while Americans may be divided about foreign policy, they are agreed in not believing in war, and in believing in prayer.

Bishops Parsons suggests that in addition to prayers for peace at all services, and inclusion of prayers for peace in private devotions, parishes could set aside a period in each week when people are asked to come and join in corporate prayer for peace.

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THE RT. REV. MICHAEL H. YASHIRO, enterprising as ever, writing as Bishop of Kobe rather than as Presiding Bishop of the Church in Japan, tells of a recent achievement in building a student hostel for 20 boys in Kobe. With a minimum of help from professional builders the Bishop and 30 friends worked for a month, and the two-story building of wood and reinforced concrete with a tile roof was finished, the work being done at half the normal cost because of volunteer labor.



**Robert D. Jordan, Director of Promotion for the National Council of the Episcopal Church who has accepted appointment as a volunteer to lead the participation of all religious bodies in the Crusade for Freedom, the movement sponsored by the National Committee for a Free Europe, of which Gen. Lucius D. Clay is National Chairman.**

#### **Some statistics from the MISSIONARY DISTRICT OF HONOLULU:**

Thirty-six stations, parishes and missions, including two congregations at the Cathedral and two school chapels.

Twenty-six "foreign" clergy (from the mainland) and five native to the islands or the Orient, and five retired.

Baptisms during the year: adult 115, infant, 584; Confirmations 440 plus 33 persons received from the Roman Communion.

Church members, 11,545, of whom 7,504 are communicants.

Among the schools, Iolani has 752 boys; St. Andrew's Priory 482 girls, Hawaii Episcopal Academy, 40. Day schools, 278. Kindergartens, 496. Thus more than 2,000 young people are in the Church's schools.

#### **REMEMBER "ARK"—American Relief For Korea**

Your minister can give you details of the Relief Program for Korea, and tell you about the need and what you can do. Your church is working through Church World Service — you can help, too. Other information is available through your Diocesan Christian Social Relations Committee, the Rev. Richard J. Lee, Chm. Other Committee members are Miss Mary D. Sumner, Mrs. Don Shoemaker, and the Rev. John W. Tuton.

A 60% increase in second class mailing rates was voted by the House of Representatives post office and civil service committee. But the committee agreed that publications of churches, schools, religious organizations, and other non-profit institutions should be excluded from the increase.

Soon after the architect finished drawing the plans for a new ST. MARK'S CHURCH, HONOLULU, the rector, the Rev. E. L. Souder, presented a confirmation class, and two of the members were the architect and his wife.

BERKELEY DIVINITY SCHOOL, New Haven, Conn., conferred the honorary degree of Doctor of Sacred Theology on the Ven. John Hardenbrook Townsend, Jr., Archdeacon of Columbia.

THE REV. DR. TOLLIE L. CAUTION, secretary for Negro work in the National Council's Division of Domestic Missions has been elected a Trustee of the Philadelphia Divinity School. He is the first Negro to be elected to this office.

#### **ROTC At Sewanee**

The United States Air Force has established a ROTC Ground Unit at the University of the South. Officer candidates will be trained in Administration and Logistics. ROTC enrollees will go to Air Force bases after receiving degrees and commissions.



## SEWANEE SUPPORT INCREASES

Sewanee, Tennessee. A five-year survey of church support of the University of the South reveals a substantial increase in interest by Dioceses and parishes throughout the South, according to a statement presented to the Board of Trustees of the University at its meeting on June 8. "Church support" comprises the Diocesan quotas plus "Sewanee in the Budget" of individual parishes. The funds become part of Sewanee's Living Endowment and are used for the operation and upkeep of the University and its School of Theology. Sons of Episcopal clergy attend the University of the South tuition-free.

Nine of the owning 22 Dioceses exceeded their 1950 quotas, to bring the total for the year to \$47,850.79. The Dioceses of Arkansas, Florida, Georgia, Louisiana, Mississippi, South Carolina, Tennessee, Texas, and Upper South Carolina each contributed more than the

quota asked.

Since 1946, total church support has been increased by \$16,011.98, and during the five year period many dioceses have multiplied the amounts of their contributions. The Dioceses of Easton (Maryland) and Western North Carolina gave approximately seven times as much in 1950 as in 1946, the Diocese of North Texas tripled its actual payment, and the Dioceses of Atlanta, East Carolina, and Upper South Carolina have doubled their gifts to the University. By the end of 1951, the Diocese of Tennessee will have tripled its total giving since 1946.

The five-year survey covers all church gifts from the Dioceses and their parishes except the offerings on "Theological Education Sunday" and gifts especially designated for the Guerri Memorial Campaign, according to Captain Wendell F. Kline, vice-president for Endowment at Sewanee.

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## WE MISS A SCOOP!

We are sorry that Sunday traffic and a broken-down Ford of ancient vintage kept our reporter from attending the ceremonies accompanying the completion of the new Church of the Redeemer at Shelby this summer. The new Church is just one of the many accomplishments of that strong mission church. The Rev. Wm. H. Anthony, Ph.D., Priest in charge, and the good laity of the Church are to be congratulated on their fine new building. We hope that future pages in THE HIGHLAND CHURCHMAN might find room for a picture of the Church, and, news of even greater attainment at Shelby.

Celebrating the 50th anniversary of the choir, THE CATHEDRAL OF ST. JOHN THE DIVINE in New York had a special service, with former choir boys participating. Two of the ex-choir boys who held a reunion were Burgess Meredith who once played Peter Pan, and the singer who played his father, Lanny Ross.

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## QUIET, MEN AT WORK

One is never conscious of many great things that are quietly happening in the Church in the Diocese. Of such is the annual Rural Training Institute for Theological Students at Valle Crucis. A score of theological seminarians descend upon the Valley of the Cross every summer, and after an intensive period of study and preparation, are farmed out to the various missions and parishes in this Diocese that ask for their help. On the field they conduct vacation church schools, read the services of the Church, preach, and take care of normal church activities. The whole program is under the direction of the Rev. Prof. Dargan Butt, of Seabury Western Seminary, and, former Priest in Charge of the Valle Crucis field. At the end of the summer, and before they return to their respective seminaries, the students return to Valle Crucis for a quick evaluation of their summers work. The Diocese should be particularly thankful for this program and the help it gives us in our parochial work.

## RIOT INSURANCE FOR CHURCHES

*It is not modesty alone that moves the Editor of this paper to allow his pages to be partially filled by "guest editorials" such as the article "I Met a Boy in Haiti . . ." which was used in last month's edition. This month the following "article" was read and reread by us in the August 1 issue of THE CHRISTIAN CENTURY. We print it herein in full, hoping you'll enjoy it, too. "Simeon Stylites" is the pen name used by the Rev. Professor Halford Luccock of Yale Divinity School, New Haven, Conn.*

Editor The Christian Century:

Sir: Is your church insured against riots? If you are not insured against damage incurred through violent outbreaks, you are overlooking a great form of "coverage" offered by the farseeing geniuses who guide the insurance companies.

Here comes a letter from the Rev. Leonard E. Tinker of Wapello, Iowa, which stirs the imagination:

In today's mail came an advertisement from a company insuring only church-owned property. Under an appeal to purchase "extended coverage" it reads: "For a few cents more the following items can be added to your fire policy . . . Riot. Loss or damage by riot and riot attending strike, and also direct damage done by sitdown strikers while occupying assured's premises."

We don't have any riots around our church — though some Iowa churches do — but I am impressed and grateful to know that insurance is available to cover the "sitdown" strike problem in churches.

Think of it! Only a few cents more! That ought to melt the heart of even the tightest trustee.

We will all admit that there is more danger from a sitdown strike in the church than from riots. Think of having insured all the damage done to the church by sitdown strikes among its members!

Riot danger, alas, does not call for such feverish haste. Churches damaged by riots are few. (Breakage by Boy Scouts is not a riot, in the legal sense. It is merely welcome evidence that the church is going about its rightful business: "Suffer the little children to come unto me.") There is more danger from termites, dry rot and the deathwatch beetle than from riots. Often the message is so decorous, in such good taste, so sedative and soporific that it might have come from a book of etiquette rather than from the New Testament, in which the etiquette is often terrible. There is not much danger of reading an item like this in the paper:

The First Church on Sunday morning was the scene of a disastrous riot. It was a special service attended by the Veterans of the War of 1912. Dr. Boanerges in the course of his sermon declared that "while, of course, we must allow for inevitable exceptions, on the whole, and by and large, honesty is the best policy." This wild and subversive message was too much for most of the congregation, which broke out in an uproar of protest. Windows were broken and casualties sent to the hospital.

But it *has* happened—that is, a riot in the service. An old book, still happily in print, tells of a lot of riots. We read, after an account of a talk by a man named Peter, "And when they heard this they were enraged and wanted to kill them." Again, after a sermon was over, ". . . having persuaded the people, they stoned Paul and dragged him out of the city, supposing him dead." St. Paul could have made good use of an "extended coverage" policy.

Yours, SIMEON STYLITES.

The *Bishop of the Diocese* will meet with the Clergy and Lay Workers of the Diocese on September 11, 1951. The meeting has been called for 10:30 A. M. The Bishop urges that all persons concerned attend the Conference. Part of the agenda concerns the Every Member Canvass for Fall.

## FORMING OF THE MISSIONARY DISTRICT OF ASHEVILLE CHAPTERS IN DIOCESAN HISTORY

The present section of North Carolina included in the Western North Carolina diocese formed the Missionary District of Asheville. It was a section of the diocese of North Carolina. Some years previously to the forming of the Missionary District, the diocese of East Carolina had been formed by taking a section of the mother diocese of North Carolina. The growth of the state's industrial life and the resultant increase of population and the wide extent of the state's area made it seem wise to our Church leaders of the last decade of the nineteenth century to form this Missionary Jurisdiction of Asheville. Resolutions to consider this were introduced into the 1894 Convention of the North Carolina diocese and a committee appointed to the next convention. At this convention the committee reported favorably on the plan, and introduced the following resolutions: Resolved that it is advisable to request the General Con-

vention to set apart the western part of the Diocese of North Carolina as a Missionary Jurisdiction; resolved that the line of division for the proposed Jurisdiction be the eastern boundaries of the counties of Alleghany, Wilkes, Alexander, Catawba, Lincoln and Gaston. It was necessary for the General Convention of the Church which was to meet in Minneapolis in October of 1895 to act in the matter of forming this Missionary District of the Church.

The General Convention elects Missionary Bishops, but the election for our Missionary District needed to wait until the District was organized. Therefore Bishop Cheshire, Assistant Bishop of N. C. was asked by the Church's Presiding Bishop to be the Bishop of the District until one was chosen for it. He had been elected Assistant Bishop in 1893, Bishop Lyman having become feeble and of the age of 78. Bishop Lyman died Dec. 13, 1893. There had been much contest of candidates in the election of the Assistant Bishop, Bishop Cheshire having been chosen on the

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39th ballot. It is well to give the words of Bishop Cheshire in his convention address at the N. C. Convention of 1895: "It does seem to me that if our good authorities can be persuaded to undertake the burden of this work and to support a bishop and missionaries in the mountain region of our State, it will not only be a relief to this diocese, and allow us to give ourselves more effectively to the development of the work in our smaller territory, but it will give a wonderful impetus to the growth and development of the Church in the region set off." Bishop Cheshire said that he had been able to give not more than nine weeks of his time to the visitations in this region of the diocese which embraced nearly thirty counties. He said that "much therefore, as we should all regret the separation from our friends and brethren, we must see that the interests of God's Kingdom demand this, if the Church is prepared to undertake the work."

The Primary Convention of the Missionary District of Asheville was held in Trinity Church, Asheville, Nov. 12, 1895, of which the Rev. McNeely DuBose was rector, it being the second Church building of the parish. Dr. Buxton, who had been rector of the parish for about 40 years since its beginning, had resigned but a few years previous, and was now rector at Lenoir. There were eight parishes, as the District was formed, and 46 Missions of which 11 were organized. Those who carried and were to carry the burden of organizing the District are ones whom older members of the diocese still living will remember or whose names are familiar to them. Dr. Wetmore of Lincolnton became the presiding officer of the Convention, Rev. H. H. Phelps of Calvary Church, Fletcher its secretary. The Standing Committee, appointed by the Bishop, consisted of Dr. Weston of the Ascension, Hickory, Rev. Alfred Stubbs, of the Ravenscroft Associate Mission,

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Mr. Thomas A. Jones of Trinity, Asheville, and Mr. John H. Pearson of Grace Church, Morganton. The trustees of the District elected were the Bishop, Thomas W. Patton of Trinity, Asheville, and Hayward Parker of Trinity, Asheville. There were to be three Convocations in the District, those of Lincolnton, Morganton and Waynesville, of which Dr. Wetmore, Dr. Buxton and Mr. Stubbs were chosen Deans, respectively. It was a two-day convention. Services of Holy Communion, Morning and Evening Prayer were held. Bishop Cheshire gave his address, Chief matters of legislation had to do with the Bishop's salary, the plans for an endowment to help meet a future bishop's salary, legal transfer of property from N. C. diocese to the Missionary Jurisdiction, and meeting the stipends of the District's Missionaries. The Social Service side of the Church's duties were even to the fore in that first convention with a motion to encourage interest in the conditions of the city jails and County Poor Homes. The Constitution and Canons of the N. C. diocese were adopted as local circumstances permit, it being required by the National Church that those of some diocese should be adopted temporarily by a new Missionary District.

The following resolutions of Mr. Thomas Patton speaks for the good spirit in which the new District started on its course as separated from, yet proceeding from, that of its diocesan mother: "Resolved that the Initial Act of the first meeting of this Convocation (so started) be to assure these brethren (of the N. C. diocese) that we desire that this separation shall cause no interruption in the affectionate interest which each will ever take in hearing of the welfare, the personal prosperity and above all, of the success in extending the borders of our dear Mother Church, which shall be accorded the other." And in referring to the best interests of the State he offers the following: "Resolved that we will labor and now call on every member of this

Jurisdiction to strive during life to preserve intact his high calling of honest conservation . . . and urge upon her people to observe her laws . . . and promote the day when love shall be the only law required for the government of North Carolinians."

—*The Rev. J. B. Sill.*

Against stiff competition, the National Council's motion picture of Church work in the Navajo country, **WINDOW ON THE SKY** has won the Cleveland Film Council's award for the best religious film of the year.

The award, considered one of the most important in film evaluations, made through audience selection, was in open competition with pictures submitted by The Protestant Film Commission, the Swedish Travel Office, Schauffler College, the Presbyterian Church, the Encyclopedia Britannica and the Methodist Church.

Officers of Department of Promotion of the National Council responsible for making the film, expressed the highest gratification and encouragement upon being notified of the award.

The film was made for the National Council by Alan Shilin, young independent producer, and is a completely professional production. It is in full color, with sound, and the actors are Navajos and members of the Navajo Mission staff. Much of the action centers at the Good Shepherd Mission to the Navajo Indians, Fort Defiance, Arizona, and the Rev. David W. Clark and Mrs. Clark show the actual ministry of the Mission, and its never-ceasing service to the Navajo people.

"Window on the Sky" is available for parish showing throughout the Church, and has been highly praised wherever shown. It is 16mm. and runs 25 minutes. It may be ordered from the Film Library, 281 Fourth Avenue, New York 10, New York.

"Window on the Sky" was shown on CBS Television on Sunday, July 1, as the feature of the regular religious program "Lamp Unto My Feet."

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## NEW EDITOR NAMED FOR HIGHLAND CHURCHMAN

As of September 15, 1951, the editor-in-charge of the HIGHLAND CHURCHMAN will be the Reverend Gale D. Webbe, Rector of St. Mary's Church, 339 Charlotte Street, Asheville. Fr. Webbe's appointment was made by the Department of Promotion, and, the Bishop of the Diocese. His duties will begin immediately.

The appointment of Father Webbe as editor of this paper, is, in our estimation, one of the most fortunate happenings that has occurred in the lustrous history of the official diocesan paper. His personal qualities, and his duties of an official diocesan nature, make him most qualified to bring the Highland Churchman to a place of prominence in the life of the Church. Personally, he is known to be serious, scholarly, friendly—he is an ardent defender of the faith once delivered to the saints. He has had

a background of work in the Church that is a decided asset—in non-parochial work, he was Chaplain to Christ School for a few years; in parochial work, he has had a successful ministry at St. Mary's in which his true evangelical zeal has brought many candidates to the Bishop for Confirmation.

As the Secretary of the Diocese and Annual Convention, he has at his fingertips all official and important news of the Church in W.N.C. As head of the Department of Promotion of the Diocese, he already has a knowledge of the work and mission of the diocesan paper.

The other faithful staff members of the Highland Churchman will remain in their honored posts under the new editor. The October Issue will be under the direction of Fr. Webbe and will keynote the 1952 Every Member Canvass Drive.

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## PLEASE NOTE CHANGE OF ADDRESS OF EDITORIAL OFFICES

### MORBUS SABBATICUS

"Morbus Sabbaticus, or Sunday Sickness, is a disease peculiar to Churchgoers. The attack comes on suddenly on Sunday morning. No symptoms are felt on Saturday evening. The patient sleeps well, and eats a hearty breakfast, but about Church time the attack comes on and continues until the morning service is over. At dinner time the patient feels easier and takes a good meal. In the afternoon he feels so much better that he can take a ride, talk politics, and read the newspaper. No further symptoms appear until the following Sunday. The chief peculiarities are: never appears except on Sunday; symptoms vary, but never affect sleep, meals, or pleasure; generally attacks the head of the family."—*Quoted from The Messenger, Grace Church, Morganton.*

### McCLOSKEY RESIGNS

The Rev. Robert J. McCloskey has resigned the editorship of the Highland Churchman as of September 15, 1951, having been acting in such capacity since January 1950.

The occasion for his resignation was his acceptance of a call to become Associate to the Dean, and Canon of St. John's Cathedral, Jacksonville, Florida. Mr. McCloskey will begin his duties there in the middle of September.

Mr. McCloskey has been in charge of St. Andrew's Church, Canton, since June 1949; this year he was priest-in-charge of St. John's Church, Hot Springs. He is a member of the Executive Council of the Diocese; and delegate to Provincial Synod. He has been on the staff of the Diocesan Youth Camp for two summers.

In Florida, Mr. McCloskey will be associated with the Very Rev. Arnold M. Lewis, new dean of the Cathedral Church of the Diocese of Florida. Until the Spring of this year, Dean Lewis was executive director of the Presiding Bishop's Committee on Laymans Work, 281 4th Avenue, N. Y. C. Dean Lewis and Mr. McCloskey will renew a friendship which began some years ago on Long Island, N. Y.

### All Souls, Biltmore

The Parish Supper Club met on Monday, August 27. Special arrangement was made with the well known cartoonist, Mr. George Stratton, N. Y. C., who gave his professional program to the supper club.

According to the parish LEAFLET, the first two Sundays in September will be vacation Sundays for the Choir and Organist of All Souls. The responsibility for the service music was placed in the hands of the congregation. To quote, "The thought is that it would do the congregation good to be on its own for two Sundays and it will be a refreshing break for the choir . . . Let's see what happens." (Ed.—What Happened?)



## 43RD YEAR OPENS AT PATTERSON

*Miss Helen Thomas*

Sixty-three boys from North and South Carolina, Georgia, Tennessee, Virginia, Michigan, Florida, New Jersey, Maryland, New Mexico and Alaska were on hand Tuesday morning, September 4, for the opening service at Patterson School for Boys in Happy Valley. The Reverend Boston M. Lackey, School Chaplain, and Rector of St. James' Church in Lenoir, was celebrant at the service of Holy Communion, which was held in the new Chapel. Mr. Lackey spoke to the boys of their responsibility in life, and their responsibility to their school and their country.

Following the service, registration for classes began, after which the boys gathered in the Chapel for a General Assembly Meeting. Mr. George F. Wiese, School Superintendent, welcomed the boys and gave them a general idea as to the school rules and regulations.

Classes began in earnest the following morning, with such capable teachers as Mr. Wiese, who teaches Bible; Principal Alfred A. Whipple, who teaches English and French; Jessie Hawkins, Workshop; Alvin Fowler, Agriculture and Biology; Miss Frances Chester, Typing; Ronald Cox, Coach; Charles Snyder, Science and Math; Miss Margaret Beaufort, Librarian and History; W. C. McClammy, 7th grade. Miss Beaufort and Mr. McClammy are new on the faculty this year. Other new staff include Miss Florence Tyler, Housemother; Mrs. Hazel Mustain, Dietitian, who has already shown us what good meals are in store for us this year; and Miss Helen Thomas, Promotion Director.

There have been many new improvements at the school this year, including a new library, located in Gard Hall, where the old Chapel was formerly found. The library building has been converted as a Chapel, complete with Altar, Chancel furnishings and a new Wurlitzer Organ, a gift from a friend of the school, in memory of his par-

ents. The Chapel has been painted, and it is hoped that in the very near future it can be enlarged sufficiently to include the proper shape and architecture of a Gothic Church. In order to do this, the front part of the building must be torn down and completely rebuilt.

A Recreation Room for the boys, in the basement of the spacious gymnasium, is being furnished, though we are in need of such things as games, ping pong tables, card tables, discarded furniture, or anything that can be used in a recreation room. The boys have been very much interested in this new project, and it is the hope of the school faculty that they will soon have a place where they can spend their free hours with such entertainment as suits each boys' fancy.

The school enrollment is larger than last year, and it is good to see so many new faces among the old. We are looking forward to a bigger and better year at Patterson School, and extend a hearty welcome to all our friends to visit us at any time during the school year.

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### St. Mary's, Quaker Meadows

Trinity XV, September 2, was a festival occasion for this mission in the larger parish of Grace, Morganton. It marked the 50th Anniversary of the founding of the mission. The Rev. William S. Stoney, former priest-in-charge, was the guest preacher for the day. A festival service followed a luncheon at 12:30 p.m.

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### Grace Church, Waynesville

Grace Church was host to a district meeting of the Woman's Auxiliary held on August 29. After a delightful supper, guests from the several churches in the district heard Mrs. W. D. Whisnant of Thompson Orphanage tell of the work at the orphanage. Colored slides were shown. Thompson Orphanage officially receives support from the Diocese of W.N.C., and the Thanksgiving Offerings in the diocese go towards the program there.

## WOMANS AUXILIARY

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### Goals

Now would seem an excellent time for every Auxiliary member to familiarize herself with the goals adopted by the 1951 Annual Meeting. It becomes the responsibility of each of us to strive for the attainment of them in each and every Auxiliary Branch.

1. Every Branch hold an installation service for officers.

2. Four Corporate Communion to be held each year; two at the presentation of the U.T.O.

3. Form Prayer Groups or study groups on personal religion.

4. Every Church woman of every parish and mission a member of the Woman's Auxiliary.

5. Every woman of every parish and mission a thankful participant in the United Thank Offering.

6. Every Branch subscribe to "Churchways" for its officers and standing committee chairmen.

7. The Auxiliary plan its work with young people; toward giving them impetus and support in understanding the field of Christian service.

8. Every Branch stress family prayer as a part of normal Christian life.

9. Every branch encourage participation in interdenominational and community activities.

10. Every branch officer and chairman attend District Training Institute.

11. Every branch see that the Church's program of Christian Education be presented to the congregation of its church.

12. Every Auxiliary member feel a responsibility for bringing people to Baptism and Confirmation.

### News from the Branches

St. James, Hendersonville: Members of the Auxiliary took courses at Kanuga in Altar Guild, Christian Education, and Youth Work. The branch held its an-

nual tea for summer visitors in August, and will have a general meeting of all groups in September.

Grace Church, Morganton: The church "nursery" has been added to the responsibilities of this Auxiliary. Other projects are Social Service, which include monthly visits to assigned wards at the State Hospital; visiting new members; care of parish house kitchen; care of vestments.

### UNITED THANK OFFERING— SEPTEMBER 29

The Diocesan U.T.O. Chairman, Mrs. A. B. Stoney, urges all women in the Church to support the Fall Presentation of the U.T.O. on St. Michaels and All Angels, September 29. Last Fall's Offering was the largest one in diocesan history—this one should be even greater.

### DEACONESS PROGRAM EXPANDED

The Bishop of Chicago has reminded us of the program to reestablish deaconess centers approved by the Council of Bishops in Dallas this year. Undergraduate training for deaconesses will be undertaken at Daniel Baker College, Brownville, Texas. A center for graduate deaconess training is at present being planned for Evanston, Illinois.

For further information concerning this enlarged program, write the Bishop of Chicago, or, Deaconess Ruth Johnson, Executive Secretary, National Conference of Deaconesses, 1047 Amsterdam Avenue, New York 25, N. Y.

### Transfiguration, Saluda

Improvements totaling \$2000 have been effected at the Church of the Transfiguration according to recent report of the past 12 month period. Among the improvements: cellar completely enclosed and oil furnace installed; Sanctuary and chancel enlarged, refloored, and refinished; chancel screen brought forward to make room for choir stalls; completely new electrical wiring circuits and inside illumination; lavatory and plumbing facilities installed.

## **NEW VICE-CHANCELLOR AT SEWANEE**

Dr. Edward McCrady, chief of the Biology Division of the Atomic Energy Commission, Oak Ridge, and a man whose name is well recorded in Sewanee history, will become acting vice chancellor of the University of the South September 1. He will succeed Dr. Boylston Green, who tendered his resignation to the board of regents at their August 16 meeting called by Chairman Edmund Orgill of Memphis to consider minor administrative matters left over from the June commencement session.

The son of the late Dr. Edward McCrady, who received a B.A. degree from Sewanee in 1889 and an honorary doctor of divinity degree in 1927, the new vice chancellor had taught at the Episcopal college more than 10 years as head of the biology department before taking a leave of absence in the fall of 1948 to become senior biologist for the U. S. Atomic Energy Commission at Oak Ridge.

A lay reader in the Episcopal Church and licensed to deliver his own sermons, Dr. McCrady has taught courses at the Kanuga (N. C.) Summer Conference and is much in demand in diocesan and other church gatherings throughout the South.

Dr. McCrady received his B.A. degree in 1927 from the College of Charleston, where he majored in Greek. Becoming interested in biology while working in the Charleston museum, he specialized in genetics in securing his master's degree from the University of Pittsburgh. He received his doctorate from the University of Pennsylvania, where he concentrated on the anatomy of the ear. In 1937 he was invited to speak at a symposium on hearing at Sorbonne University in Paris, and came to Sewanee in the fall of that year. He is a past president of the Tennessee Academy of Science.

A versatile man, Dr. McCrady is skilled also in portrait painting, wood carving, violin playing, mt. climbing.

## **EARLY DAYS OF ST. PHILIPS, BREVARD**

### **Chapters in Diocesan History**

It was through visits and ministrations of Dr. Hillhouse Buel that a congregation was formed at Brevard. He was the director of the Ravenscroft Associate Mission, which meant one or two priests associated with him and living in Asheville, their interests being in caring for congregations of our Church people, whether near to or at distances from Asheville. There might or might not be a Church building in which the congregations worshipped. Several established Mission Churches have resulted from the interests of missionaries. A parish has been the result at Brevard. Bishop Atkinson and Bishop Lyman made visits there with Dr. Buel as early as 1873, before there was a Church building, on one occasion, possibly on others, having services in the Methodist Chapel. Services were also held in the Court House, the first one, which was built in 1874, and in a public hall. The corner-stone of the Church, a wooden structure, was laid August 7th, 1883, the lot having been given by Mrs. Robert W. Hume and her children. It was eight years, however, before the building was completed, the consecration taking place Oct. 20, 1891 by Bishop Lyman, although the Church had been used for several years. The diocesan journal of 1888 reports 20 communicants. In 1887 Bishop Lyman reports of his visit the previous year, "It was the first time I had officiated in the new and tasteful Church, which is not yet entirely completed. We have a small band of Church workers there and they are not able without assistance to do what their hearts are yearning to accomplish."

The final value of the Church was stated as \$3,000.00 and its seating capacity 120 persons. After Dr. Buel's retirement from his active ministry Rev. Scott B. Rathbun carried on at St. Philip's, and Mr. Albert Jenkins served as a lay-reader.

There is a previous history of St. Phil-



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ip's, which concerns a Church known as St. Paul's in the Valley, some three miles east of Brevard. Here there was a settlement of families coming for the summertime from the lower lands of Charleston and South Carolina, like the settlement some years previous at Flat Rock, not many miles distant. We have the names of ones who built homes: Dr. Hugh Rutledge, Henry Ewbank, John Gadsden and Albert Jenkins. A congregation of the Church was organized in July, 1856, by the families of the above, except that of the Jenkins', who arrived soon after. \$1650.00 was raised for a Church building. Bishop Atkinson visited here in August, 1856. Before the Church was completed, a frame building, Rev. J. S. Hanckel had joined forces with the laity, and began to hold services in the carriage shed of Mr. Johnstone Sunday mornings, and at the Methodist Camp-ground in the afternoons. He was a professor at the South Carolina Theological Seminary at Camden, and purchased a home for summer purpose in the valley. St. Paul's was used only for four or five months in the summer, used for the first time in 1857 and consecrated by Bishop Atkinson in 1860. A report for 1858 gives 26 communicants, half of whom were "visitors," so given.

In August 1859 there were 4 confirmed. During the years of the Civil War Church life ceased, the settlement broken up. Mr. Hanckel took all altar vessels and books to Camden, putting them in the care of the Church there. Not until 1873 were these brought back to St. Paul's by Dr. D. H. Buel of Asheville, and I find no revival of Church services until then. In 1875, thirty-eight dollars was spent on repairs of the Church. And in 1878 Bishop Lyman made a visitation. Services continued being held until 1884 or '85.

The families of St. Paul's in the Valley transferred their interest to the building of the Church in Brevard. We find gifts for it made by Albert Jenkins, Dr. C. W. Hunt, Henry Ewbank, John A. Gadsden, the Johnstones and others, as also by "friends in Charleston, Wilm-

ington, Asheville, New York and Boston." St. Paul's in the Valley was in time removed. There was a graveyard about the Church, which can still be found among the old trees on a hillside, by entering a gate, taking Rt. 276 from Brevard. There have been burials there in recent years. Rev. Chalmers D. Chapman who was rector of St. Philip's from 1916 to 1926 is buried there.

The building of St. Philip's followed the building of the present Court House and the forming of a Court Square by only a few years. The County of Transylvania had been formed from Henderson County during Civil War days. There was the same native stock, English and Scotch-Irish, as in other parts of Western North Carolina, farming being their chief interest. In the 1880's Brevard had less than a thousand of the native population. Dr. Buell made regular visits for services at St. Philip's, driving from Asheville. He writes that the Church at Brevard was "begun as an act of faith. We were a few scattered sheep needing a fold, and God has answered our prayers by crowning our efforts with success. To Him be all the glory and to us the blessing."

—The Rev. J. B. Sill.

### Trinity Chapel, Haw Creek

The Woman's Auxiliary of Trinity Chapel, Haw Creek, in cooperation with the church committee sponsored a picnic August 23. Supper was served on the lawn and was followed by a service of Evening Prayer.

After the service entertainment in the form of a square dance was held in the parish house. During the evening the Claxton School square dance team gave some exhibition square dances.

Mr. Porter Crisp, lay vicar in charge of the chapel, gave an address at the monthly meeting of the Woman's Auxiliary on the development of a Young Peoples Service League in the church after which the members of the auxiliary voted unanimously to sponsor such a program. The first activity to be held will be a hay ride Sept. 6.

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*Fourth:* Look at God.

WHAT DOES HE COMMAND? "Go ye into all the world."

WHAT IS HIS PRAYER? "That they all may be one."

WHAT HAS HE DONE? "He has redeemed me and all mankind."

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### "What Shall I Give?"

The question "What shall I give toward the support of the Church?" comes up annually in connection with the Every Member Canvass.

The answer that the United States Government gives to the question is substantially this: "Knowing that this nation cannot continue to grow in spirit without its people supporting the work of their churches, their hospitals, their homes for the aged and infirm, and so forth, you may give for these purposes 15% of your gross income and deduct it before taxes."

The answer of the ancient Jewish church, and of many modern denominations, is about this: "Devote 10%

of net income (after income taxes) to the support of the church."

The answer of several dioceses in the Episcopal Church is about like this: "Let every Episcopalian devote 5% of net income after taxes to the support of the Church, and another 5% for general charities like the Community Chest, the Red Cross, and so forth."

The writer of this article rather fights shy of the idea of the same fixed percentage for all sizes of families and for all income brackets. He would prefer to put the matter this way:

When you make a pledge to the Church you are not giving to your own parish, to the diocese of Western North Carolina, and to the work of the National Church. You are giving it to God. *And giving to God should be in return for what He has given you.*

What has God given you? Quite simply, *everything*.

The world, with all the resources in it. Life, with all its capacities and endowments. Love and friendship, kindness and understanding. The mind, the abilities, the will-power and the strength which you have used to achieve whatever material success you enjoy in this world. The people, the objects, the ideals, the ends that make this success worth having. The very God to Whom we turn in prayer for strength in our weakness, help in our troubles, and peace in our sorrows. The risen Son of God, and our hope of eternal life. Once again, and quite simply, *everything*.

There is, in short, no such thing as a self-made man, even, in this world. (Let alone in the world to come). Everybody has received his entire capital investment from God, and his entire time, wisdom, and strength to put that capital to use. If you went to the bank for money, the tools, and the buildings to set up a business from which you gain \$5,000 a year, the bank would charge you 5% on an unsecured loan (and you and I are certainly "unsecured loans" in the eyes of God.)



Surely, then, you and I are considerable ingrates if in return for what God has given us we give him back a paltry, beggarly, amount. An amount far below what we pay for cigarettes, sodapop, the Country Club, lipstick, and the evening highball. An amount, indeed, that is more in answer to the question "How little shall I give?" than to "How much shall I give?"

The only measure of giving to God is the measure of what we have received from Him. If the matter of God's bounty is honestly faced, the question "What shall I give toward the support of the Church?" will be honestly answered.

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### **Giving**

Episcopal Church giving has gone up from \$25 per year per member in 1930 to \$29 per year per member in 1950. This is not an increase, in terms of buying power, but a catastrophic decline. It represents the fact that the place of the Church in the family budget is considerably smaller than it was a decade ago. And because people pay for what they value, it means that the Church is worth less to its old established members than it was a decade ago.

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### **Leadership**

The training of leadership is essential to the life of the Church. It requires the same patience and perseverance exercised by our Lord in the training of the Disciples. Vocations are the gift of God; but provision for their realization is the responsibility of the Church.

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### **HOLY CROSS, TRYON**

In the September 30th issue of the Episcopal Church Times, there is an article of interest to the congregation of Holy Cross. It is written by the Rev. William S. Lea, and called "The Test of Discipleship," found on page 10. Mr. Lea is well remembered by most of the congregation as he has often preached there.

### **CHRISTIAN EDUCATION MOVES TO GREENWICH QUARTERS**

28 Havemeyer Place, Greenwich, Conn., will become as well-known to church people as 281 Fourth Ave., New York 10, N. Y., the address of Church Missions House. 28 Havemeyer Place is the new address of the Department of Christian Education of the National Council.

In this pleasant, two-story building, located near the center of town, the Divisions of the Department have been brought together from New York and a former address in Greenwich.

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### **YOUTH SUNDAY**

Youth Sunday is October 21 this year, observed as a symbol of "That holy fellowship" and of youth's united efforts for Christ and His Church as the young people of the Church seek to know the Christ and make Him known.

At the Youth Sunday services held in great numbers of parishes and missions in this country, Canada and various other countries in which the Church's youth program is used, the young people will rededicate themselves so that in all these areas an opportunity will be given to see the power of Youth united for Christ.

Youth of the Church share in the United Youth Offering. The National Youth Commission chose to use the 1951 Offering for the educational, medical and evangelistic work of the Holy Cross Mission at Bolahun, Liberia.

In many parishes young people will take part in the Church services held on Youth Sunday. It is not unusual in some parishes for a young person to make the address, using the opportunity to tell of the work young people are doing locally and worldwide for the extension of Christ's Kingdom. Parents and other adults see young people in action and are reminded of the very real role that they play in the church in action every day.

## TO HELP LIBERIA MISSION

The object of the United Youth Offering, which will be received on Youth Sunday, October 21, is the work of the Holy Cross Mission in the interior of Liberia.

Overcoming the old spirit of fear and suspicion by the message of love through the Church is the task of the medical, educational, and evangelistic work of the Holy Cross Mission and its many outstations. Through the United Youth Offering some basic improvements will be made in the mission property. The work will provide employment for workmen for a period of years and insure more permanent facilities for the mission such as metal roofed houses for teachers, a chapel for St. Agnes Girls' School, a reliable water system at the mission, and covered wells with hand pumps at the outstations.

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## CHURCH WOMEN AGAIN SPONSOR WORLD COMMUNITY DAY

"Live thy faith" will be the theme of World Community Day, to be held November 2. Sponsored annually by the General Department of United Church Women of the NCCC, the purpose of the day is to encourage women to work together for a more Christian world order.

Each year, special projects are chosen to be a part of the day's observance. This year they are the provision of blankets for needy persons and contributions toward ecumenical scholarships, which will make it possible for young people from many lands to obtain specialized training in preparation for more effective leadership in their homeland churches and communities.

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## FROM HOLY CROSS, TRYON

"If after kirk you bide a wee,  
There's some would like to speak to ye:  
If after kirk you rise and flee,  
We'll all seem cold and stiff to ye:  
The one that's in the seat with ye  
Is stranger here than you, maybe."

## HOW CAN WE AS PARENTS HELP IN CHRISTIAN EDUCATION?

We can teach with every minute. Parents are teaching all the time, whether they are aware of it or not. The foundation for his belief in a God of Love, and a just God, are laid long before the child goes to Sunday School. He learns through his experience of steady human affection and of dependable guidance.

Do we laugh at the child one day and punish him the next for doing the same thing? Are we exploring our children as objects for the gratification of our pride?

*We can read.* Is our own spiritual life growing? Do we know more about the Bible than we did ten years ago? Are we equipped to answer our children's questions about God, prayer, death? Why not ask the rector to recommend some helpful books?

*We can worship.* Do we say grace at meals? If not, why not begin this week? How do our children pray? Is our own prayer life growing? Do we worship in church or do we merely send our children?

*We can show interest in what the child is doing in Sunday School.* Do we know his teacher? We can watch our conversation and probe our prejudices. If they hear us, the most important persons in their lives, giving vent to remarks showing suspicion and dislike for peoples of other races and faiths, we are undermining much of what the Church is striving to do.

*We can let our rector know of our desire to help and go to him for advice.* He needs parents who will prepare themselves to give their interest, talent, and time to the creation of a parish fellowship in which all children can grow into closer relationship with God.

Let us ask ourselves as Christian parents, *Are we doing our part?*

—From Churchways.

## PROVINCE OF SEWANEE HOLDS SUCCESSFUL CONFERENCE ON CHURCH MUSIC

The first conference on Church Music, sponsored by the Province of Sewanee, was held at DuBose Conference Center, Monteagle, Tenn., July 17th-26th. Fifty-four organists and choir-masters from eleven dioceses attended. The response to the sessions was so enthusiastic that it was unanimously agreed by all concerned to make this conference an annual feature of the life of the province.

Courses of instruction were given on the Prayer Book and the Hymnal by the Rev. Massey H. Shepherd, Jr. of Episcopal Theological School, Cambridge, Mass.; on chanting by Mr. Robert L. Hobbs, organist-choirmaster of St. Mark's, Louisville, Ky.; and on choir-training and service music by Mr. Robert L. Van Doren, organist-choirmaster of Trinity, Columbia, S. C. The conference chorus was directed by Dr. Lyman P. Prior, choirmaster of St. John's Cathedral, Jacksonville, Fla. The conference chorus was directed by Dr. Lyman P. Prior, choirmaster of St. John's Cathedral, Jacksonville, Fla. The chaplain of the conference was the Rev. Cyril N. Sturup, rector of St. Paul's, Winter Haven, Fla. Also assisting in the devotional life of the conference were Bishops Dandridge and Barth of Tennessee and Bishop McElwain, retired, of Minnesota.

The aim of this conference was to assist our church musicians, especially in the smaller parishes and missions, to use simple music of good quality and liturgical fitness in the corporate worship of the Church. Hymns, service music, and anthems, chosen for study by the conference, were all selected to this end. The response of those attending the sessions was so overwhelmingly favorable, that it is expected that next year the registrations for the conference will be greatly increased.

The second Sewanee Summer Conference on Church Music will be held July 15-24, 1952, at DuBose Conference Center, Monteagle, Tennessee.

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## BISHOP DUNN TO ADDRESS SYNOD

The Bishop of Washington will be special speaker when the Synod of the Fourth Province meets in Birmingham this month. The Church of the Advent will be host. Synod will be called to order at 2:30 p. m. October 23rd, and will adjourn the next day.

There will be six work-shop groups into which Synod membership will be divided: Missions and Church Extension, Christian Education, College Work, Christian Social Relations, Promotion, and Finance. Groups will be organized soon after Synod convenes.

Provincial Council will meet the morning of October 23rd.

Hotels in Birmingham: Molton, Tutwiler, Redmont are close to the Church of the Advent; Bankhead, Thomas Jefferson, Granada are within easy walking distance. Recommended motor courts are the Vulcan Motor Lodge, Roebuck Motels, Shamrock Motor Lodge.

Accommodations for Negroes include Palm Leaf Hotel and the Y. M. C. A.

Reservations should be made early, and direct to hotel.

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"God must love the small church because He made so many of them," said Douglass H. Atwill, retired bishop of North Dakota, in an article written for the Rural Worker's Fellowship.

Small churches often make great contributions to the lay activities of city parishes as well as to the ministry of churches all over the world. "Thank God for the small church," Bishop Atwill said, "for the patience, courage, loyalty and devotion which this source supplies to the Church in the nation for the enhancement and the enrichment of life."



## RUSSELL E. DILL DIES

Russell E. Dill, Treasurer of the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society of the Protestant Episcopal Church and of the Church's National Council, died at his home, Big Wolf Lake, Faust, N. Y., after a long illness.

He was 57 years old and is survived by Mrs. Dill and one son, George Post Dill.

Mr. Dill was born in San Jose, California. He attended the University of California, majoring in economics. He made a special study of the textile industry also, and was for a time the head of a large textile organization.

In 1930 he became a specialist on the reorganization of industrial companies, serving in this capacity with large department stores, motor companies and an aircraft company. During World War II he was sent to England to confer with Army authorities concerning confidential matters in regard to aerial warfare. He served as chairman of the Westchester (N.Y.) rationing board, and later was called to Washington to assist in the preparation of the initial rationing program by Leon Henderson.

Mr. Dill was widely traveled, and for many years had been interested in the world-wide missionary program of the Church. He was an organist, having been both choirmaster and organist at Calvary Presbyterian Church, San Francisco for a number of years. He was an active member and former vestryman of Christ Episcopal Church, Bronxville, N. Y.

He joined the national organization of the Episcopal Church as Treasurer in 1948.

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November 18—"The Grace of Our Lord Jesus Christ." The Rt. Rev. F. D. Goodwin, Bishop of Virginia.

November 25—"For Fractional Lives" The Rev. Ray Holder, Christ Church, Raleigh, N. C.

December 2—"New Men in a New Age." The Rev. A. Ronald Merrixx, St. James' Church, Macon, Ga.

December 9—"How to Read Your Bible." The Rev. Richard H. Wilmer, Jr., Chaplain, University of the South, Sewanee, Tenn.

December 16—"To Prepare His Ways." The Rev. Thomas R. Thrasher, Church of The Ascension, Montgomery, Ala.

December 23—"God's Greatest Message." The Rt. Rev. Everett Holland Jones, Bishop of West Texas.

December 30—"Newness in Life." The Rev. George M. Alexander, Trinity Church, Columbia, S. C.

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## REORGANIZATION

Plans for the reorganization of the *Southern Churchman* have reached the point of a public announcement. With the name, *Episcopal Churchnews*, the first issue is scheduled for December 2d. Owned by a non-profit corporation to which the *Southern Churchman* Company is turning over its assets, the magazine is expected to have 36 pages weekly and an annual budget of \$250,000.

## **DIOCESSAN FAMILY**

### **Black Mountain**



Mr. Winfield D. Smith is now residing in Black Mountain as the layman-in-charge of St. James' Church and the patients in the nearby hospitals and Sanatoria.

Mr. Smith was born in Lead, South Dakota, but was reared at Wentworth, North Carolina, and received the degree of A.B. and M.A. from the University of North Carolina. He attended the Episcopal Theological School in Cambridge, Mass., for the years 1947-49, and is now finishing his theological training under the examining chaplains of the Diocese of Western North Carolina.

After being a teacher in the public schools of Gastonia, North Carolina, he was advanced to be principal of John S. Henderson School in Salisbury. For fourteen months, he was minister to St. John's Church in Holbrook, Mass. The years 1942-46 were spent in Military Intelligence, at Hickam Field, H. I.

Although not born in North Carolina, Mr. Smith seems to have his heart firmly planted in this State. He married Miss Lois Wilson who was reared at Madison, N. C., and received the degree of A.B. from Guilford College and her B.S. in Library Science from the University of North Carolina. She has been Librarian of the Public High School in Gastonia, N. C., as well as of the High School of Weston, Mass.

The Smiths have two small children, Alice Jeanette and Pamela Jane.

## **St. Matthias', Asheville**

A great forward step was made in the Diocese of Western North Carolina when the Rev. Munroe C. DeVan accepted the call to become Rector of St. Matthias' Church on October first. He is the first inhabitant of the new rectory of the only Negro Parish in the diocese and comes to it from St. Paul's Church, Philadelphia. The diocese looks forward eagerly to his leadership and welcomes the latest addition to its clerical family.

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## **ST. MARY'S, ASHEVILLE**

On the Feast of St. Michael and All Angels, in the course of the Mass at St. Mary's Church, Asheville, Bishop Henry consecrated a new memorial Chalice and Paten, to the glory of God and in loving memory of Frances Hope Leavitt. The new Chalice and Paten, hand-made by Glasier and Company of New York City, are the gift of Dr. Louise Perry of Asheville.

Mrs. Leavitt, who died on June 11, was immediate Past President of the Woman's Auxiliary of St. Mary's Parish, and has held many Diocesan and Provincial offices in the Auxiliary. Her services to the Church for more than a quarter of a century cannot be measured. Her death means the loss, to this world, of a great character, a tireless worker, an indomitable spirit, a trusted counsellor, a wise guide, a courageous leader, a fine lady, a magnificent church woman.

May she rest in peace, and may light perpetual shine upon her.

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## **ST. JAMES' WOMAN'S AUXILIARY HOLDS MEETING**

The regular monthly meeting of the Woman's Auxiliary of St. James', Lenoir, was held Monday evening September 3rd in the Parish House. A delicious supper was enjoyed by all members present.

Mrs. E. L. Kemper, Diocesan President, was the speaker and gave most interesting and inspiring talk.

## **ST. GEORGE'S RECEIVES GIFT**

The Rev. and Mrs. Roy Grobb presented to the congregation of St. George's, West Asheville, a Paten, Challice, and Ciborium. These vessels were consecrated on the occasion of the Bishop's visit to St. George's on Sunday, September 30th. The Rev. Mr. Grobb has been regularly celebrating the Holy Communion for this new Church, and his gift must have been the result of the warm relationship that has developed between the congregation and him.

There were twelve persons confirmed on the occasion of the Bishop's visit, bringing the total for the year to twenty-four.

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## **THANKSGIVING OFFERING FOR THOMPSON ORPHANAGE**

The Thompson Orphanage has found a place in the hearts of Church people; the church people of North Carolina are "Orphanage conscious." As each year passes our people become more and more loyal to the Orphanage and more conscious of the needs of the children who find a home there. The annual Thanksgiving Offering has increased to the point where it has become a steady source of support for the Orphanage.

Today as the Orphanage carries on its work of providing a home for its Family of seventy-six children, the Thompson Orphanage begins each day's work with the secure and comforting knowledge that all over the state hundreds of people have the welfare and lives of the children at heart.

And yet, the continued support and prayers of the people are necessary if the work of the Orphanage is to continue. The responsibility of the Orphanage rests in the hearts of every church member of our diocese. The Orphanage is depending on the Thanksgiving Offering to meet the many expenses of caring for the children committed to the care of the church.

## **ANNUAL HOMECOMING AT WOODSIDE**

The annual Home Coming of the Church of Our Saviour, Woodside, on Sunday, September 9th, 1951, will long be remembered.

The weather was everything to be desired, and a special pleasure was the privilege of having the Reverend N. C. Duncan, of Asheville, as guest preacher.

Mrs. Duncan and many out of town guests were present, with a good representation from Woodside and St. Luke's in Lincolnton.

A special guest was Mrs. St. George L. Sioussat of Chevy Chase, Md., the former Miss Julia Richardson, and daughter of the late Mrs. John Richardson of Woodside, who first started a Sunday School there.

Of special interest to those present was the lovely new Bible which the congregation of the Church of Our Saviour had purchased.

The Altar was very beautiful with white gladiola and a white and gold altar cloth. Mixed late summer flowers were used on the organ.

The Service was opened by the Rev. Richard J. Lee, Rector.

A most enjoyable picnic supper was served under the trees after the service.

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## **MRS. MYRA SUMNER SMITH**

The death of Mrs. Myra Sumner Smith, daughter of the late Mr. and Charles McBee Sumner, on July 19th, 1951, has caused an irreparable loss to St. Luke's Church and Parish.

Mrs. Smith was the first child to be baptized in the new Church in Lincolnton some 65 years ago. She had been a long and faithful member, active in every church branch. Regardless of heat or cold, Myra Sumner Smith never shirked her duty to her Church. She was an active and faithful worker in the Women's Auxiliary.

St. Luke's of Lincolnton will long mourn her loss, and revere her memory.



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## A LETTER FROM THE BISHOP OF GEORGIA

I spent two weeks during the middle and latter part of July, giving a course of lectures at Kanuga. Kanuga is four miles out of Hendersonville, in the North Carolina hills. It is cool and pleasant. More than three hundred leaders of parish work were there, and courses were given by various leaders of the national church in almost every form of church activity.

Kanuga is owned by the five Carolina dioceses, but the members of the conference come from all over the South. From Maryland to Texas, was represented. The diocese with the largest attendance was Louisiana. This shows the broad appeal Kanuga makes, and it also shows the help our people receive when they have to limit the attendance of any person to three successive years, so that others may have a chance to share. It is crowded to capacity like this year after year, with a waiting list.

The National Church will always send, and does send men and women who are "tops" in their fields and we cannot hope to get such leadership to come to our many and smaller Diocesan Camps. I think of Kanuga as a sort of post-graduate school which serves the Church on a higher and Provincial level. At Kanuga we can develop, and are developing our own Diocesan leaders, who tomorrow will be giving courses and conducting classes on the level of the diocese. And this is how the dioceses whose people go to Kanuga benefit.

Middleton S. Barnwell,  
Bishop of Georgia.

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The Diocese of Maryland, after considerable study, has put forth this table of suggested weekly contributions to the Church. We reprint it here for your earnest consideration.

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## CHAPTERS IN DIOCESAN HISTORY

### The Episcopal Church in Chunn's Cove St. Luke's Mission

The first services held in Chunn's Cove was conducted by Dr. Jarvis Buxton on the second Sunday of June 1858 at the home of Hosea Lindsey. Dr. Buxton rode horseback to these services and continued them on the second Sunday of each month until winter.

During the summer of 1867 services were conducted each Sunday at 3 o'clock. Dr. Buxton visited the sick, carried them provisions and cut their wood when the man of the family was sick. All baptisms and confirmations at that time took place at Trinity Church, Asheville.

In 1886 a Sunday School was organized and conducted at the home of Mr. William Thomas Owen, he being a lay reader. He also held night services at his home. Many of the congregation at that time could neither read nor write. Mr. Owen was an Englishman by birth and had married Mary Lindsey of this community. It was Mr. Owen's fondest hope to have a little Episcopal Church in Chunn's Cove and to that end he worked faithfully.

In 1890 The Rev. Wm. F. Rice held services once a month under a weeping willow tree in the yard of Mrs. Martha Metz, and continued these services through 1891-92 and 1893. The Rev. William Barrows and The Rev. Samuel Rhoades (a Deacon) assisted with the mission.

In 1892 the Sunday School was moved to the home of Mrs. C. W. DeVault, in order to have music. Teachers came over from Trinity, Asheville. Among them Miss Josie Patton, (Mrs. Haywood Parker, now deceased), Miss Lilly McGregory, Miss Ellen Barker, Miss Minnie Bearden (now Mrs. Doble). Mr. Herbert D. Childs was superintendent of the Sunday School for a number of years. Mrs. C. E. Moody and Miss

Flora Armstrong were also ardent workers in the Sunday School.

During 1893 it was planned to build a church. Mr. Owen wanted to give a site for the church but it was decided to buy a lot more centrally located and a lot was purchased from Uncle Matt Baxter (colored) slave of Col. Stephen Lee. Mr. E. J. Armstrong furnished the plan for the church and although in ill health at the time he gave untiringly of his time and efforts in overseeing the construction of the same. The church was erected by subscription and a loan from the Church Building Fund during 1894 and was given the name ST. LUKE'S by Mr. Owen.

The Rev. McNeelry DuBose (at that time Rector of Trinity Church, Asheville,) gave and laid the cornerstone of St. Luke's, and assisted with services after completion of the church.

St. Luke's was consecrated by Bishop J. B. Cheeshire in 1898.

The Rev. Wm. F. Rice continued in faithful charge of St. Luke's Mission, coming ten miles either by horseback or buggy through all sorts of weather, until the Bishop stationed him at St. James, Black Mountain. In the meantime St. Luke's had become an organized mission and was under the supervision of the late Alfred Stubbs, who was ever ready and willing to come to St. Luke's when needed.

The late Rev. Geo. H. Bell of Haw Creek was in charge of St. Luke's for some time following Mr. Rice. He was made a Deacon in 1892, Priested in 1893 by Bishop T. B. Lyman, D. D., and devoted his life to Missionary Work in the Western Counties of North Carolina.

The Rev. Raymond A. Chapman served at St. Luke's from the spring of 1921 to October 1922 and the activities of the Mission were very marked under his leadership. He resigned from St. Luke's and other missions he served near Asheville to become Vicar at St. Stephen's Church, Boston, Mass.



St. Luke's was then without a regular priest until the Rev. Geo. J. Sutherland came in 1924. Father Sutherland was also in charge of The Redeemer, River Rd., at Craggy, and of St. James, Black Mountain, where he resided in the Rectory. He continued to serve these churches until his death in 1934.

In 1935 St. Luke's had The Rev. Frank W. Blackwelder as rector until some time in 1936. He was very young at the time, having completed his ministerial studies with high honors at the General Theological Seminary in New York City in 1935. His father was The Rev. L. W. Blackwelder of Griffin, Ga., Rector of St. George's Church.

The Rev. James B. Sill came to St. Luke's and the Church of The Redeemer, Craggy, in 1937. In 1942 Father Sill presented and had installed in St. Luke's a beautiful altar window in memory of his father, The Rev. Thomas Henry Sill. It had been taken from St. Chrysostom's Chapel in New York where his father was rector. The window is Christ blessing young children, and was dedicated by The Rt. Rev. Robert E. Gribbin, then Bishop of the Diocese of Western North Carolina. Father Sill was greatly loved by the mission people, and made his way from one church to another on foot, through all seasons, having no car. He served faithfully until 1944 when he retired. (His brother was for many years Headmaster at Kent School for Boys).

The Rev. Dudley J. Stroup came to St. Luke's in 1944 and was there until 1946. He was young and energetic and able to build up the congregation considerably, also organized a choir, assisted in excavating under the church for a recreation room and installing an oil furnace. During his stay electric lights were put in the church and recreation room.

In November 1946 The Rev. Westwell Greenwood came to St. Luke's and

during his ministry there the church property was improved, water being put in the basement of the church, a sink installed and electric radiators were put in the church to supplement the oil heat when the weather was cold. The windows and front door were weather-stripped. It was then possible to serve meals in the recreation room, and several tables, chairs, hot plates, etc., were donated by members of the congregation and friends. Father Greenwood resigned on June 30, 1948.

Although there has been no regular priest at St. Luke's since July 1, 1948, there has been an 11:00 A. M. service every Sunday except two during the polio epidemic. Holy Communion Service on the 3rd Sunday of each month, The Rev. Arthur W. Farnum, or some other Priest officiating, lay readers being furnished by Bishop Henry at all other times.

In June 1950 Bishop Henry appointed John McTammany Lay-Vicar-in-charge of St. Luke's and the Church of The Redeemer, Craggy. He and his family make their home in the rectory at The Redeemer. While studying for Holy Orders Mr. McTammany is actively working in the two missions.



## THREE BISHOPS ORDAIN SONS TO MINISTRY

Three Bishops of the Episcopal Church ordained their sons to the ministry at a special service at Trinity Church here, when thirteen young men became deacons.

Presiding Bishop Henry Knox Sherrill ordained his son, Edmund; Bishop Malcolm E. Peabody of the Diocese of Central New York ordained his son George; and James Whittemore was ordained by his father, Bishop Lewis Bliss Whittemore of the Diocese of Western Michigan.

Another bishop's son ordained was Hikaru Yanagihara, whose father is Bishop Peter Yanagihara, of the Diocese of Osaka, Japan.

## CHURCHWOMEN TO WRITE ORIGINAL PROGRAMS

New York — The Woman's Auxiliary of the Episcopal Church is seeking talent inside the Auxiliary itself, for the purpose of writing meeting programs. Under the general title "The Stewardship of Talent," it is asking women to write and submit programs of the kind they would like to see used in Auxiliary groups throughout the Church. In the invitation it is said that the plan will give women with a talent for creative writing an opportunity to contribute their talents to the work of the Church; that programs submitted will be indicative of the kind desired; that hidden ability will be disclosed.

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Bishop Henry and Mr. Richard N. Jones of Greenwich, Conn., led an all-day training course for laymen on September 22nd, at Trinity Church, Asheville. These are the laymen who will be visiting the Parishes and Missions throughout the Diocese in connection with the Every Member Canvass:

L. K. Barber, Waynesville; Edwin S. Hartshorn, Jr., Lenoir; E. P. Dameron, Marion; Cecil Hoskins, Asheville; R. J. Putnam, Asheville; Henry Bartol, Tryon; John L. Simmons, Asheville; Ralph Ward, Fletcher; Cary Page, Tryon; Dr. C. D. Gerdes, Biltmore Forest; A. C. Brown, Gastonia; E. L. Kemper, Shelby; Goodwyn Bloomfield, Wilkesboro.

## CLERGY CONFERENCE

On September 10th, the Annual Fall Clergy Conference of the Diocese convened in St. Mary's Church, Asheville. After the celebration of the Holy Eucharist, Bishop Henry addressed the Clergy and lay workers stressing their obligation to men and women in the armed services and the boys and girls away at college. Immediately after the address a delicious lunch was served in Trinity Church.

The afternoon session was devoted to the Every Member Canvass, under the leadership of the Rev. Gale D. Webbe, chairman of the Department of Promotion.

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## BISHOP'S SCHEDULE

October 14 — November 30

- Oct. 14 11:00 A. M.—Trinity Church, Spruce Pine, Confirmation.
- Oct. 16 11:00 A. M.—Meeting of the Board of Trustees, St. Mary's School and Junior College, Raleigh.  
7:00 P. M.—Executive Board of Kanuga, St. Martin's Church, Charlotte.
- Oct. 17 9:00 A. M.—Meeting of the Bishops of the Carolina Dioceses, St. Martin's Church, Charlotte.
- Oct. 18 7:30 P. M.—St. Andrew's Church, Canton.
- Oct. 21 8:00 A. M.—Celebration of the Holy Communion, St. Luke's Church, Chunn's Cove.  
11:00 A. M.—St. James, Lenoir, Confirmation.  
7:30 P. M.—St. John's, Marion, Confirmation.
- Oct. 25 7:30 P. M.—St. Andrew's, Canton.
- Oct. 26 8:00 P. M.—Youth Convention, Church of the Ascension, Hickory.
- Oct. 28 9:30 A. M.—St. Mary's Church, Quaker Meadows, Confirmation.  
11:00 A. M.—Grace Church, Morganton, Confirmation.  
3:00 P. M.—St. Paul's Church, Burke County, Confirmation.  
5:00 P. M.—St. Stephen's, Morganton, Confirmation.
- Nov. 1 7:30 P. M.—St. Andrew's Church, Canton.
- Nov. 4 8:00 A. M.—Celebration of the Holy Communion, St. Luke's Church, Chunn's Cove.  
11:00 A. M.—Trinity Church, Asheville, Confirmation.  
8:00 P. M.—St. Francis' Church, Rutherfordton.
- Nov. 6 —Woman's Aux. Dist. Meeting, St. John's Church, Marion.
- Nov. 7 —Woman's Aux. District Meeting, Trinity Church, Spruce Pine.
- Nov. 8 7:30 P. M.—St. Andrew's Church, Canton.
- Nov. 11 —5th District Meeting of the Woman's Aux., St. Gabriel's, Rutherfordton.  
7:30 P. M.—St. Mary's, Blowing Rock.
- Nov. 12 —Woman's Aux. Dist. Meeting, St. Francis', Cherokee.
- Nov. 13 —Woman's Aux. Dist. Meeting, Grace Memorial Chapel, Asheville.
- Nov. 15 7:30 P. M.—St. Andrew's Church, Canton.
- Nov. 18 9:00 A. M.—Celebration of the Holy Communion, St. Andrew's Church, Canton.
- Nov. 18 11:00 A. M.—Grace Church in the Mountains, Waynesville.
- Nov. 18 P. M.—A. R. Morgan Field.
- Nov. 22 10:00 A. M.—Grace Memorial Chapel, Asheville.
- Nov. 25 11:00 A. M.—St. Luke's Church, Lincolnton, Confirmation.  
3:00 P. M.—Church of Our Saviour, Woodside.
- Nov. 29 10:30 A. M.—Meeting of the Appalachian School Board.



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Acts of God by which he has given unto us eternal Life. Third, we pray for the ministers of God's Church that they may be enabled to prepare all men for an intimate relation with God. Finally, we pray that God in His Power will free us from the Power of Sin, that we may fulfill our destiny in a complete life in accordance with the will of God.

Simply, Advent prepares us for a new relationship with the Incarnate Lord. The Church points out that we need God's grace to rid us of sin, to guide us in understanding His revelation of Himself, to strengthen our ministry to His task, and to enable us to "run the race that is set before us." The greatest preparation for The Advent of Our Lord, is to acknowledge our need.

Let us not become lost in the secular world and its commercialization. Let us truly prepare under the guidance of the Church, that when He shall come, we shall have our lamps brightly burning in welcome.

## ADVENT

The Christian's concept of God has often been said to be that of a "Coming-At-You" God. By that is meant that the Christian does not feel that God waits for us to approach Him, but that God has come to us, and continues to seek out man, that He may lead him into the fullness of life for which he was created.

The Church observes the special season of Advent to remind us again of the entrance of God into human history, and to give us a preparation season that we may be able to receive God at His Coming.

In the collects for the Sundays in Advent the Church reminds us of what is necessary, if we are to be able to fulfill God's purpose for us in intimate relation with him. First, we ask for God's grace to cast off all works of darkness. Second, we thank God for, and ask God's help in reading, the Holy Scriptures in which is recorded the mighty

## I AM YOUR PLEDGE

I am many things—  
I am a Hymnal in a mission,  
The wine of Holy Communion,  
The Sacrament of marriage,  
The Confirmation of a child;

I am needles and scissors,  
Gauze and cotton bandages,  
Crafts and sports, and baby clinics,  
And a class in Sunday School;

I am love for the young  
And shelter for the old,  
Medicine for the sick,  
And comfort for the sorrowing;

I am placed upon this altar  
From where I go to serve the Lord;

I am evidence of your faith.

By Rev. G. H. Murphy





**RECTOR AT ST. ANDREWS**—The Rev. Roger Sherman of Franklin, Tenn., has accepted a call to St. Andrew's Episcopal Church.

### NEW RECTOR TO TAKE UP DUTIES AT ST. ANDREWS

The Rev. Henry Roger Sherman, Jr., of Franklin, Tenn., and Mrs. Sherman are expected to take up residence in Canton about November 15, when the Rev. Mr. Sherman will assume his duties as rector of Saint Andrew's Mission.

They come to Canton highly recommended both as church and civic leaders. Mr. Sherman has been rector at St. Paul's church in Franklin for four years, and prior to 1947, he was rector of St. John's church in Negaunee, Mich., for ten years.

Born in Lawrence, N. Y., in 1898, Mr. Sherman began his education in a small private school in Glastonbury, Conn., but later transferred to the public schools. His ambition was to be a medical missionary but World War I interrupted his plans and he served for two years in the U. S. Army Medical corps.

After the war, he entered the insurance business in Hartford, Conn., but his interest in the church was paramount and after considerable service as a lay reader, he gave up his position with the

Aetna Life Insurance company and enrolled in the Berkley Divinity school in Middletown, Conn., which later became affiliated with Yale University. He continued his studies at DuBose Memorial church training school in Monteagle, Tenn., and after his graduation, served a mission in Plainsfield, Conn., before going to St. John's.

While rector of St. John's he served in various capacities. He was a delegate to the General Convention and to the Provincial Synod; secretary of the Diocesan Convention and of the Diocese, as well as being secretary of the Standing Committee and a member of the Bishop and Council. While at Franklin he was elected to the Standing Committee of the Diocese.

Mr. Sherman has always been interested in military affairs. He served as chaplain of the 1st. Engineer Battalion, Michigan State Troops, during World War II. He now holds the rank of Colonel in the Chaplain Corps of the Tennessee State Troops Reserve. He is also chaplain of the Franklin Legion, and is a member of the Rotary club.

Mrs. Sherman is active in the Women's work of the church. She is Diocesan Secretary of Devotions for the Auxiliary; and historian for Old Glory Chapter, Daughters of the American Revolution; and is affiliated with several civic and cultural clubs.

### "CORRECTION"

In August 1951 issue, page 15, the word "conservatism" should be submitted for "conservation", in my article on "Forming the Missionary District of Asheville." Mr. Patton's advice to us as citizens of North Carolina was to preserve intact our "high calling of honest conservatism." —J. B. S.

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## DIOCESAN NEWS ASKED

At a recent meeting of the Executive Board of the Woman's Auxiliary the following resolution was passed: "It is the hope of the Executive Board that future editions of the Highland Churchman will carry more Diocesan—rather than National—news".

The editor shares this hope, and urges herewith that parish and mission publicity representatives keep him informed of activities on the home front. News items should be sent, not later than the 20th of the month that precedes the month of publication, to the Rev. Gale D. Webbe, 339 Charlotte Street, Asheville.

Incidentally, does your congregation have a publicity representative? And does the Highland Churchman regularly receive your parish bulletin?

## CLERICAL CHANGE

On November 15, the Rev. R. Y. Winter, Jr., became Priest-in-Charge of the Church of the Messiah, Murphy; St. Barnabas, Murphy; and the Chapel of the Holy Comforter, Andrews.

Mr. Winters was formerly Priest-in-Charge of the Church of the Transfiguration, Bat Cave.

His successor has not yet been announced.

## FROM HOLY CROSS, TRYON

Mrs. C. P. Burnett

We extend our deepest sympathy to the Rev. C. P. Burnett and to the Clingan family in the loss of their wife and sister, Helen May Burnett. Mrs. Burnett was for many years a loyal and devoted member of this parish, and will long be remembered for her services.

## ARRIVALS

Michael Lemon Jenkins was born on October 15. He is, of course, the son of the Rev. and Mrs. Mark Jenkins, of Fletcher.

The Rt. Rev. and Mrs. M. George Henry announce the birth of a daughter, Elizabeth Harding, on October 26th.

## **WOMAN'S AUXILIARY PAGE**

By Mrs. R. M. Starrett, 520 Lenoir Street,  
Morganton, N. C., Promotion Secretary.

### **Kanuga Reminder**

Those of you who attended the annual meeting of the Woman's Auxiliary last summer will remember that the following resolution was adopted by the delegates:

"Whereas, the Kanuga Conferences are of inestimable value, not only in the owning diocese but throughout the church and,

Whereas, there is very limited income for the general operation of the Kanuga Conference property;

Be it resolved, that each Branch of the Woman's Auxiliary be urged to put an item in its budget each year for Kanuga."

Accordingly, as the time approaches for preparing your 1952 budget — remember Kanuga.

### **American Bible Society**

The purpose of the American Bible Society is to make the Bible available to everyone and to encourage its use. The Society publishes many types of Bibles: some—in large, clear print—are designed particularly for those with limited vision; other small booklets, containing well known and valued portions of the scriptures, are designed for men in service. Thus the Society aims at publishing Bibles to suit the needs of the individual or group. These publications are sold at cost and can be obtained in several languages.

### **A Prayer for the Church\***

Quicken, O Lord, we beseech thee, all the members of thy Church, that they may be alive to the opportunities and responsibilities of these times. Save us from complacency and from fear of new ways; inspire our minds with the vision of a world won for thee, and stir our wills to pray and to work until thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.

\*Taken from "Prayers for All Occasions" published by the Forward Movement Publications.

## **United Thank Offering**

The Auxiliary members of St. James', Hendersonville, sponsored a poster contest in an effort to stimulate interest and participation in the United Thank Offering which was presented on September 28th. Ten members of St. James' youth group entered the contest. The results were very gratifying in that a large number of women attended the Corporate Communion and took part in the offering.

### **Spruce Pine Auxiliary**

The October meeting of the Woman's Auxiliary of Trinity Mission of Spruce Pine, was held at the "Pines" in Penland with Miss Lucy Morgan and Mrs. Howard Ford as hostesses.

Mrs. R. T. Dent, Chairman, made a report on the Corporate Communion celebrated on St. Michael and All Angels' Day in the chapel of Trinity Mission by the Rev. Peter Lambert. There were eight members of the Auxiliary present and a collection of \$39.56 was made.

Arrangements were made for the Third District meeting of the Auxiliary, to be held at Trinity Mission on November 7th.

A letter from Mrs. G. W. Bohnsdahl, Supply Secretary of the Diocese, was read. Donations of clothing and money were made by individual members for the three missions to which supplies are to be sent by the diocese at this time.

Miss Ruth Johnston, Church Periodical Chairman, made a report for her committee. Several hundred magazines had been distributed by members. It was voted that a donation of three dollars be made to the Church Book Fund.

Many details about the church bazaar in November were worked out by committees.

A guest at Penland at this time is Sister Christina of the Order of the Transfiguration. She gave a most interesting talk about the founding and the fine work done by her order.

—Mrs. R. W. Ewing, Treas.



## **NONAH CRAFT CENTER**

The Editor was interested in the following article which appeared in the Sunday edition of the Asheville Citizen-Times on October 28th. It is with regret that he announces the resignation of Miss Francis Barr who has been director of this work for three years. Miss Barr will reside in Sylva:

The Nonah Craft Center in the Cartoogechaye community sponsored by St. John's Episcopal Church of Cartoogechaye, has done much to create a happier community life for many of Macon County's women as it works in conjunction with the Home Demonstration clubs work.

Each craft leader in the Home Demonstration clubs has an opportunity of receiving careful training at this center, with Miss Frances Barr and Miss Sally Kesler as trained instructors, and they in turn carry their work back to their various clubs. Thus many rural women are greatly benefitting by the work of these leaders.

Among some of the work under way and some completed is that of preparing native articles, such as honeysuckle, broom sedge and shucks to be used at the schools. One leader made a bag of honeysuckle and handwoven linen to be carried with summer apparel, one leader wove a lamp shade of broom sedge, and this material can also be used as table mat as well; another leader bought an old lamp shade frame and made a parchment shade with dried grasses and flowers between the pieces of parchment.

Braiding rugs is an art perfected by Mrs. Fred Wood, craft leader of Walnut Creek. She has instructed many club members to make attractive rugs from discarded fabrics.

Nonah Craft Center has eight looms available for the members to work on. Some are weaving luncheon mats for Christmas presents, others are making hooked rugs, creating their own beautiful designs, and others doing various things in handicraft.

While this craft center is open every Tuesday for those who are interested

in handcraft work, the special leader training makes these instructions available to all communities in the county.

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## **Youth Convention**

The Annual Convention of the Young Churchmen of the diocese met in the Church of the Ascension in Hickory on October 26th and 27th. From all reports the youngsters had a wonderful and inspirational time. There was dancing, good food, marvelous hospitality, reports from all the representatives and a talk by the Bishop.

There were approximately 75 in attendance and the following officers were elected:

Bill Brackett, Edneyville, President.  
John Saunders, Asheville, Vice-President.

Sheldon Campbell, Biltmore, Secretary.

Francis Martin, Black Mountain, Youth Editor of the Highland Churchman.

David Reid, Asheville, Provincial Youth Representative.

The Rev. Mark Jenkins, Rector of the Church of Fletcher, is the Advisor of the Provincial Youth Conference.

It was decided the St. James Church in Hendersonville will be the host for next year.

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## **Holy Cross, Tryon**

The St. Agnes Guild of the Church of the Holy Cross, Tryon, held its annual Christmas Bazaar on November 14th, in the Parish House. The Bazaar culminated year-long sewing and working by the members of the Guild, which enabled them to present many unusual and beautiful items for the Christmas shopper's list.

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## **St. Mary's, Asheville**

An Open House was held at the Rectory of St. Mary's Church on November the 11th. The Rector and his family are happy to be in residence again after six months of absence, due to the complete renovation and redecoration of the Rectory.

## DR. AUCOCK HONORED

A delegation of fourteen people — members of All Saints' Church, Providence, Rhode Island — made a round trip of over two thousand miles to join in honoring the Rev. Dr. Arthur Morgan Aucock on the occasion of his ninetyeth birthday and the sixtieth anniversary of his ordination to the sacred priesthood. Dr. Aucock, who now lives in Asheville, spent his entire ministry at All Saints' Church, Providence, and has been rector emeritus since 1932.

Mr. Harold Cory was toastmaster at the testimonial banquet given Dr. Aucock at the Biltmore Forest Country Club. Addresses were made by the Rev. I. N. Northup, rector of All Souls' Church, Biltmore; by the Rev. John B. Lyte, present rector of All Saints' Church, Providence; by Bishop Henry; and by Dr. Aucock himself, in response to the affectionate greetings tendered him.

Dr. Aucock's friends joined in presenting him with a television set as a birthday-ordination present.

## A MESSAGE FROM THE UNIVERSITY OF THE SOUTH

October 10 was Founders' Day of the University of the South: a day, this year, marking the ninety-first anniversary of the laying of the University's cornerstone.

On a sunny October afternoon in 1860, 5,000 people gathered on the mountain top to watch Bishop Leonidas Polk of Louisiana lay the cornerstone, and to see Bishop Elliott of Georgia place within it a copy of the Bible, the Book of Common Prayer, and the Constitution of the United States, dedicating the University to the glory of God as "an institution established for the cultivation of true religion, learning, and virtue."

Today, as a citadel of liberal Christian education in an age dominated by the secular, the University of the South needs increasingly the support of every

faithful Churchman. We will do well to remember the aspirations of our founders, and to mark these 1946 words of Dr. Edward McCurdy: "It seems to me that there is no more important project in American education than the provision of the highest quality of liberal education in a distinctly Christian environment. There is probably no religious group that exceeds the Episcopal Church in distinction for a long history of high education combined with liberal doctrine: therefore there is probably no other Church so eminently fitted to sponsor such a University. Sewanee is today the only University in America owned and operated by the Episcopal Church, and therefore it seems to me to be the most important educational project I know anything about."

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A Fellowship for graduate study in social work has been set up by Trinity Parish, New York City, as a memorial to Mr. and Mrs. John M. Glenn. The fellowship has been given to Episcopal Service for Youth. First award goes to Rita Wilkins of Burlingame, California, who will enter the New York School of Social Work and Windham House.

Candidates must be members of the Episcopal Church, college graduates, and accepted for admission to a recognized school of social work.

## HERE WE OFFER AND PRESENT

"As I get it", said my friend, "Christians began to give each other presents at Christmas because it's the time when God gave Himself to us all. I don't see how anybody can understand the Christian Faith unless he knows what it means to give and receive out of love for somebody else.

"In thinking about my pledge, it seems to me that this whole business of apportionments and budgets is wrong. There's no love in it. 'We must have so much for the budget,' says the Diocese to our parish. And the parish says the same thing to us. So we make a pledge on the basis of what we've been

asked for. And we call this our offering our present—to Our Lord.

"This certainly isn't the way I give Christmas presents. I don't give my children bread, butter and shoes, as 'presents'. I *owe* them these. And they don't have to tell me I owe them these, either. I figure it out for myself. I plan their share in advance, so they'll never *have* to ask for their needs. My gifts are in addition to these, and it often takes real sacrifice to give presents to those I love.

"For Old Testament Jews it was easy. They gave a tenth of their incomes, and this covered taxes, charities and Church. But my world is a different one, so I have to figure God's Share differently, too.

"The way I give now, I'm just kidding myself if I think that I'm giving God presents. But if I pledged in proportion to my income, I'd at least be giving God back what is His. True gifts would come after this.

"Two phrases now have new meaning for me: 'Here we offer and present unto Thee, O Lord, ourselves . . .' and 'We beseech Thee to accept this our reasonable duty and service . . .'

"This year my pledge will be different."

*(From the Diocese of Maryland)*

## **SLOW PAYMENTS THREATEN CHURCH'S PROGRAM**

At present, payments to the National Council for 1951 are a quarter of a million dollars less than for the corresponding period of 1950. The total remitted by the Dioceses during the current year is \$160,000.00 less than the amount which should have been received for the first nine months of 1951. While recognizing that the current payments reflect the lower receipts of the summer months, nevertheless the comparison with last year is alarming. It would be a tragedy if, instead of the advance we have hoped the year would mark, we ended 1951 with a serious deficit.

The members of the National Council call on every Diocese and District, every

Parish and Mission, every Diocesan and Parish Treasurer, every man and woman, to bring all contributions to the missionary work up to date as soon as possible, and to maintain regular payments in full until the end of the year. A loyal response will enable us to achieve the new record which the year 1951 has promised and will give our valiant missionaries the support they so richly deserve in their service for Christ throughout the world.

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## **"QUOTES"**

If the job of Christian Education is to make Redemption real so that through a new relationship with God the deepest needs of our lives are met, then something more is needed by the Episcopal Church than some new Sunday School lessons.

Since the secret of the Power of the Christian religion to help us can be found only in a new, living, personal relationship with God, then it is clear why our religion is meaningless to so many Church members. Our Christian Education has been contended to give a very superficial instruction in a few isolated facts about religion. It has done little to create this needed "Living Relationship" with God. The life of redeemed relationship can not be learned solely in a Sunday School class. Redemption is learned by *sharing in the redeeming relationships within a truly Christian home and within the life of a truly religious parish family.*

The Sunday School is the chief supplement to both of these. The real job of Christian Education in our communion is to help Episcopal families create the relationships of a truly Christian home and the leaders of parishes to create truly Christian relationships among its members. By living and sharing in these Christian relationships day by day, year by year children and adults find religion meaningful and the help it gives them real.

*From The Church of the Good Shepherd,  
Jacksonville, Fla.*



## KANUGA CONFERENCES — HIGHLIGHTS OF BOARD MEETING— NEW CONFERENCES FOR 1952

Kanuga will add two entirely new conferences in its 1952 program, according to action taken at the annual meeting of the Board of Directors held recently in Charlotte, N. C. This forward step will extend the effective influence of the Kanuga Conference by filling needs not now being adequately met by diocesan camps, according to the Chairman of the Board, the Rt. Rev. M. George Henry.

A Leadership Training Conference for Youth will draw officers of youth groups from all over the south for training in the art of leadership and for exchange of ideas. A one week intensive leadership course will give not only great inspiration for enthusiastic effort on the "home front" but also the techniques for effective effort. Closely integrated will be a conference for adult counselors of youth groups.

The second new conference will be a Family Conference, drawing together family groups for a week of Christian fellowship. The program will be coordinated with the Department of Religious Education's emphasis on the family as the unit in religious education.

The Board of Directors heard reports on the generally successful 1951 season.

Mr. William L. Balthis, of Gastonia, presented the report of the Kanuga Foundation Committee, of which he is Chairman. The work of this committee resulted, after much discussion, in definite plans for a campaign to be held during the fall of 1952. A considerable sum is needed to renovate the Kanuga property which has suffered in recent years from inadequate maintenance funds.

The Board Meeting was attended by all five of the Bishops representing the five owning dioceses; the Rt. Rev. M. George Henry of Asheville, N. C., Chairman of the Board; the Rt. Rev. Thomas N. Carruthers, of Charleston, S. C., Vice-Chairman; the Rt. Rev. Edwin A. Penick of Raleigh, N. C.; the Rt. Rev.

John J. Gravatt of Columbia, S. C., and the Rt. Rev. Thomas H. Wright of Wilmington, N. C.

## CONSECRATION OF A BISHOP

On St. Matthew's Day, 1951, in Holy Trinity Church, West Palm Beach, the Reverend Martin Julius Bram was consecrated Bishop in the Church of God to serve as Suffragan Bishop of the Diocese of South Florida. The Consecrator was the Rt. Rev. Henry I. Loutitt, Bishop of the Diocese, and the Co-consecrators were the Rt. Rev. C. Avery Mason, Bishop of Dallas, and the Rt. Rev. Spence Burton, S. S. J. E., Bishop of Nassau.

East and west were united, for the Rt. Rev. Francis Eric Bloy, Bishop of Los Angeles, flew to West Palm Beach to preach the sermon.

The event served as a reunion for the new Bishop and Bishop Bloy who had long been friends and one-time classmates. Also, of interest is the fact that Bishop Loutitt, Bishop Mason and Bishop Bram were fellow-students at the Virginia Theological Seminary. Another classmate who served as Deputy Registrar was the Very Rev. Frederick Warnecke, Dean of the Cathedral in Newark, New Jersey.



## ELECTION

Harry M. Addinsell of New York, was elected Treasurer to succeed Russell E. Dill who died recently. The election was by the National Council, to fill an unexpired term, and the term will run until the next General Convention.

Mr. Addinsell has been a member of the National Council, and of its Departments of Finance and Promotion. He is a Director of the Episcopal Church Foundation. His experience is largely in the field of investment brokerage, from which he retired some time ago. He has been president and later chairman of the board of the First Boston Corporation. He is a director of Phillips Petroleum Co., the Commercial Credit Corporation and the Virginian Railway.

Mr. Addinsell is a trustee of Teachers Insurance and Annuity Association, chairman of the board, New York Boy Scouts of America, trustee and treasurer of the North Country Community Hospital, Glen Cove, a trustee of St. Luke's Home for Aged Women, and of the estates and property Committee of the Diocese of New York. He is a vestryman of St. Bartholomew's Church, New York and St. Paul's, Glen Cove, L. I.

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## THE BISHOP'S SCHEDULE

### November 15 Through December 31

- Nov. 15 7:30 P. M.—St. Andrew's Church, Canton  
 Nov. 18 11:00 A. M.—Grace Church in the Mountains, Waynesville  
       11:00 P. M.—St. Francis' Church, Cherokee  
       11:00 P. M.—St. Agnes' Church, Franklin  
 Nov. 22 10:00 A. M.—Grace Memorial Church, Asheville  
 Nov. 25 8:00 A. M.—St. Luke's Church, Chunn's Cove  
       10:00 A. M.—Address Bible Class, Trinity Chapel, Haw Creek  
       7:30 P. M.—Church of the Good Shepherd, Covington, Ga.  
 Nov. 29       Appalachian School Board  
 Dec. 1 2:00 P. M.—Christ Church, Charlotte, Laying of Corner Stone  
 Dec. 2 9:30 A. M.—St. Mary's Church, Asheville  
       7:30 P. M.—St. Matthias' Church, Aoccoa, Ga.  
 Dec. 4       Morganton Convocation, Shelby. Quiet Day  
 Dec. 5       Asheville Convocation, Asheville  
 Dec. 6 12:00 M. —Valle Crucis Board Meeting, Boone  
 Dec. 8       Chapel Hill  
       11:00 P. M.—Canterbury Club  
 Dec. 10       Chapel Hill  
 Dec. 11 8:00 P. M.—Grace Church in the Mountains. Women's Aux. Meeting  
 Dec. 16 11:00 A. M.—St Philip's Church, Brevard  
       4:30 P. M.—Highland Hospital  
 Dec. 23 11:00 A. M.—Church of the Holy Cross, Tryon  
 Dec. 24  
 Dec. 25 11:00 A. M.—St. Luke's Church, Chunn's Cove  
 Dec. 30 11:00 A. M.—Church of the Redeemer, Shelby  
       11:00 P. M.—St Andrew's Church, Bessemer City  
       11:00 P. M.—St. John's Church, High Shoals



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